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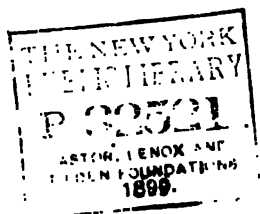








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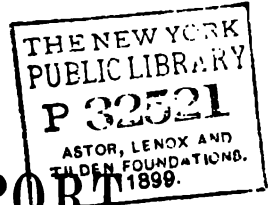
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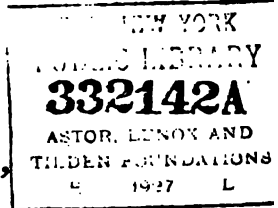


# ANNUAL REPORT

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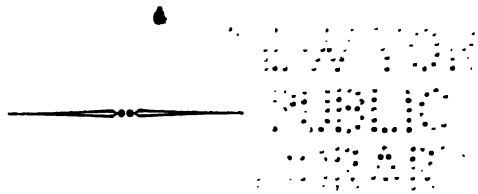
PRESENTED BY THE



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

AT THE

ANNIVERSARY MEETING IN BOSTON, MAY 29, 1849.



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1849.

## NOTICES.

ALL communications intended for the Executive Committee, and any correspondence relating to the general interests of the Society, may be addressed to Rev. JOSEPH S. CLARK, Secretary, No. 28 Cornhill, Boston.

All remittances of money, and whatever communications relate to the pecuniary concerns of the Board, may be made to BENJAMIN PERKINS, Esq., Treasurer, No. 100 Washington Street, Boston.

Persons, in any part of the State, wishing to become Life Members or Life Directors of the American Home Missionary Society—or to make donations in any form to its funds, can transmit their donations through the treasury of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

Life Membership in the American Home Missionary Society, is *thirty dollars*.

Life Directorship in the do. do. is *one hundred dollars*.

Life Membership in the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, is *thirty dollars*.

☐ The Secretaries of Auxiliary Societies, are earnestly requested to forward copies of their Annual Reports, without delay, to the Secretary of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, No. 28 Cornhill, Boston. Also to furnish a list of the Officers chosen at each annual meeting. Compliance with these requests will enable the Committee of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society to furnish, in connection with their Annual Report, a satisfactory account of the state and progress of each Auxiliary.

**THE HOME MISSIONARY** is published monthly by the American Home Missionary Society, 150 Nassau Street, New York. It is also distributed from the office of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, 28 Cornhill, Boston, for the accommodation of subscribers and others entitled to it, who reside in this State. Terms, *one dollar per annum*, in advance.

☐ It is sent *gratuitously* to Life Members, Missionaries, and Auxiliary Associations of either Society; to all pastors whose congregations contribute any sum annually to either treasury; to all persons who serve as collectors; and to each donor of \$10 annually who signifies a wish to receive it. Application may be made either to the Treasurer on the payment of donations, or to the Secretary, who is Agent for the distribution of the Home Missionary in Massachusetts.

**STANDING RULE.**—The Missionary who makes his Reports to the Secretary of the Society *quarterly*, shall be entitled to quarterly drafts on the Treasury. Those who report *semi-annually*, shall be entitled to semi-annual drafts. Those who fail to render an *Annual Report on or before the first day of APRIL*, shall thereby forfeit the patronage of the Society, unless a sufficient excuse be rendered. In the Annual Report, definite answers to the following questions are required.

1. What is the number of rateable polls—also families—in your society?
2. What is the amount of your Society's valuation on the town assessor's book?
3. What proportion of it is in the hands of church members?
4. What aid do you receive from persons not connected with your society?
5. What productive funds has your society?
6. What is your stipulated salary?
7. How is it raised—by tax or subscription?
8. Is it punctually paid?
9. What is the average number in your Sabbath congregations?
10. What is the number of your church members—male—female?
11. What additions to the church during the year ending April 1st—by profession—by letter?
12. What the number of baptisms—adult—infant?
13. How many hopeful conversions have occurred?
14. What is the number in your Sabbath school and Bible class?
15. What progress has been made in temperance?
16. What is the amount of contributions to the Mass. Home Missionary Society?
17. What the amount contributed to all other religious charities?
18. What special encouragements or discouragements have you in your labors?

[In answering these inquiries, it will only be necessary to refer to their numerical designation, without transcribing them.]

## ANNUAL MEETING.

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THE Massachusetts Home Missionary Society met in Hall No. 1, Tremont Temple, Boston, 29th May, 1849, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. LEONARD WOODS, D. D., President of the Society, and Rev. FRANCIS HORTON, of West Cambridge, was elected Scribe.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary, Rev. J. S. CLARK.

The Treasurer's Report was read and accepted. The Report of the Executive Committee, covering the past fifty years, was deferred till the public meeting in the evening.

Rev. Messrs. JOHN TODD, D. D., S. HARDING, and M. H. SMITH having been appointed to nominate Officers for the ensuing year, reported the following list, which was unanimously adopted. (See next page.)

Rev. SAMUEL M. WORCESTER, D. D., of Salem, and the Secretary, were appointed Delegates to the General Association of Massachusetts.

*Voted*, That the Society adjourn till 7½ o'clock this evening, at the Tremont Temple, then and there to celebrate the Fiftieth Anniversary.

FRANCIS HORTON, *Scribe*.

### PUBLIC MEETING.

The services commenced at 7½ o'clock, P. M. The President called on Rev. L. F. DIMMICK, D. D., of Newburyport, to open the meeting with prayer, after which the Secretary read an abstract of the Fiftieth Annual Report of the Executive Committee, exhibiting a summary of the results since the organization of the Society in 1799.

A sermon on Acts 9:6, "*Lord, what wilt thou have me to do,*" preached by Rev. RICHARD S. STORRS, D. D., of Braintree, and accompanied with appropriate devotional exercises, occupied the remainder of the evening.

A large audience—completely filling the house in every part—listened with fixed attention to the instructive and stirring appeal till its close. After the Benediction by the President, the Society adjourned at 9½ o'clock.



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## ANNUAL REPORT.

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THE MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY holds its FIFTIETH Anniversary this evening. The occasion naturally turns our thoughts backward in review of the past half-century.

Taking our stand on the "Tuesday preceding the General Election of Massachusetts" in 1799—which occurred that year on the 28th of May—there rises upon our view a scene extremely unlike the present. The descendants of the Pilgrims, down to the third and fourth generation, had been gathered to their fathers, and much of the primitive spirit had also departed from the Commonwealth. Especially was there a growing forgetfulness of that high purpose which mainly contributed to bring those Puritan Fathers here ;—"the inward zeal they had of laying some good foundation, or at least to make some way thereunto for the propagating and advancement of the gospel of the kingdom of Christ in these remote parts of the world, yea, although they should be but stepping-stones unto others for the performance of so great a work."\* In addition to this there were unequivocal signs of a spiritual paralysis coming over the churches already planted. Here and there an ancient altar might be seen slowly crumbling into dust, or the sacred fires that had long time glowed thereon were gradually going out ; while, to complete the sad picture, new settlements were extending eastward, and northward, and westward, where no such altars arose simultaneously with the humble hut of the settler, as in all the first towns of New England.

A forecasting mind could easily perceive "whereunto this would grow." A pious heart would naturally take alarm at these signals of coming evil. Such minds, such hearts, were still to be found scattered through the State ; and they were brought together in Boston on

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\* New England's Memorial, by N. Morton, p. 20.

that memorable 28th of May, 1799. It was a small group, which the smallest public room in the city would suffice to accommodate.\* But they were men of *faith*, and therefore strong. They stood on the "sure foundation" which God had laid in Zion, "elect, precious;" and were not confounded. Then, and there, and in these circumstances, was organized THE MASSACHUSETTS MISSIONARY SOCIETY, whose subsequent history the Executive Committee propose briefly to recount in this their *Semi-Centennial Report*.

Its objects and operations, with the changes through which they have passed; the results of its labors, so far as they come within the scope of human cognizance; and the leading principles which have governed the Executive Board in conducting its affairs—these will be developed in their order.

### Objects and Operations.

The *original* object of the Society, as set forth in the second Article of its first Constitution was, "to diffuse the knowledge of the gospel among the heathens, as well as other people in the remote parts of our country, where Christ is seldom or never preached,"—an object comprehending the whole range of Foreign and Domestic Missions, as the work was then understood. The same breadth of design was retained when, in 1804, that article was so amended as to read,—“The object of the Society is, to diffuse the gospel among the people of the newly settled and remote parts of our country, among the Indians of the country, and through more distant regions of the earth, as circumstances shall invite, and the ability of the Society shall admit.” In pursuance of this vast design, provision was also made for the distribution of Bibles and other religious books,—wherein we trace an intimate *family connection* between several leading objects of Christian benevolence, which have since been conducted under separate and independent organizations.

Launched upon this broad sea of religious enterprise, under the leadership of the distinguished Dr. Emmons, who was then at the meridian of his long day; with the usual complement of subordinate officers,† including ten Trustees, who were expected to meet "at least semi-annually," as an Executive Board; they entered upon their career under some embarrassments, which, in the change of circumstances, the present generation can hardly appreciate. If, as they contemplated the ample scope of their mission, they could say,

No pent-up Utica restrains our powers,  
But the whole boundless continent is ours;

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\* Appendix, A.

† Appendix, B.

they were also compelled to feel that they were on an untraveled way, without lighthouse or land-mark; with scarcely any help from the experience of others, and with many things yet to learn from their own.

Almost immediately they felt the need of some medium of communication with the public, more direct and free than could be had through their Annual Report and Sermon.\* To meet this necessity the *Massachusetts Missionary Magazine* was projected in 1802, and placed "under the management of thirteen editors."† The subject of finances, too, was involved in much uncertainty. Their only *reliable* source of income was the two dollars per annum which each member pledged on signing the Constitution. Whether any thing more would accrue from voluntary contribution was purely conjectural. And in a vote of thanks, passed July 15, 1799, "to the ladies in Boston who by Mrs. Kneeland generously have deposited with the Treasurer \$50 for the use of the Society,"—the first vote of thanks, and the first donation, that the records contain,—it is easy to perceive that *surprise* mingles with their gratitude. And even these scanty means could not be expended the first year for want of *men*. This embarrassment was as mortifying as it was unexpected. In *theory* it had already been decided to send forth missionaries as the Apostles were sent, "two and two"—an ordained and an unordained minister together. But this, like many other good theories, the Trustees were obliged to abandon, after searching a year and three months to find the *first man*, ordained or unordained, who was ready to go for them—having been in negotiation with *nine* individuals during that time!

The first missionaries actually sent out by the Society were Rev. Messrs. David Avery and Jacob Cram among the new settlements of Western New York, Adoniram Judson into Northern Vermont, and John Sawyer and Jotham Sewall into the Province of Maine. The two last named of these pioneers are still in the field which they then entered, devoting their aged but unexhausted energies to the feeble churches under the patronage of the Maine Missionary Society. These missions were little more than *preaching circuits*, sustained from three to six months in a year, at a cost of from seven to nine dollars per week—the missionary receiving no part of his compensation from the people among whom he labored. The following "Instructions," drawn up for those who were going to "the West"—a term which then meant any where in that direction out of Massachusetts—will convey a good idea of the manner in which *all* the missions were conducted for the first fifteen years.

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\* Appendix, C.

† Appendix, D.

**"BRETHREN :—**We hereby instruct and direct you to go, as soon as a due preparation will admit, to the people inhabiting the country between Whitestown and the Genesee river, and labor amongst them prayerfully, diligently and perseveringly, for the term of — months, in inculcating the distinguishing truths and duties of the gospel of Christ. You are desired to preach as frequently as opportunity and your strength will allow ; to converse with families and individuals on the state of their souls, and the great things of religion ; to assist in collecting, organizing and promoting the best edification of churches, as opportunity shall offer ; to administer the holy ordinances as you have authority to proper subjects. You will not be remiss, or allow yourselves to be engaged in concerns foreign to this business. You will keep a careful register of your labors and success, and gather what information you can respecting the prospect of usefulness for others. In one word, to the best of your ability, you will endeavor to promote the interests of Zion, as those who must give account. Assuring you of our best wishes and prayers for your comfort and success, we are, brethren, yours in the faith and fellowship of the gospel." Signed by the President and Secretary of the Society ; and accompanied by suitable credentials of character.

With what fidelity and success these instructions were followed may be learned from the journals of the missionaries, which were usually condensed and read by the Trustees at the annual meetings, and then published in the *Missionary Magazine*. A few extracts, taken almost at random, are here given as specimens.

One "labored as a missionary 13 weeks, rode 1,200 miles, preached 106 times, attended 7 conferences, administered the Lord's Supper 3 times, collected 1 church, baptized 26 persons, and taught from house to house."—Another "was 12 weeks and one day on his mission, rode 1,037 miles, preached 117 times, attended 8 church meetings and religious conferences, administered the Lord's Supper 3 times, baptized 4 children, visited 6 schools, and 96 families."—Another "went from home the 1st of June and returned the 29th of August, rode 861 miles, preached 102 sermons, visited 159 families, baptized 7 persons, attended 4 conferences, married 1 couple, visited 8 schools, and incorporated 2 churches."

This arduous routine of ministerial labor—traveling from 10 to 14 miles per day, and preaching from 5 to 9 times a week, with all the intervals filled by conference meetings, school visitations, and household instruction—underwent but little change during the first fifteen years of the Society's operations. The number of missionaries employed in that time was about six a year, on an average ; and the aggregate of their labors amounted to not quite four years annually. If the amount of service seems small, it must be acknowledged that it was spread over a surface sufficiently large. The missionaries preached the word over a large portion of northwestern New York ; all over the Province of Maine where any settlements were then found ; in parts of New Hampshire, Vermont, Rhode Island, Pennsylvania and Tennessee ; "on the borders of Canada ;" "in Nova

Scotia;" and "at New Orleans;" while at least five Indian tribes (the Oneidas, the Senecas, the Wyandots, the Tuscaroras, and the Narragansets) shared in their labors.

We now approach a period in the history of this Society, when its plan of operations was essentially modified. Several circumstances conspired to give it a more *domestic* character than had hitherto been contemplated. Whether the original purpose of embracing "the heathens" within the scope of its benevolence, was the *cause*, or the *effect*, of a foreign missionary impulse, it is certain that the long neglected claims of the heathen world came more and more vividly into remembrance, as the Society prosecuted its work.\* Donations began to come into its treasury for their exclusive benefit;—one, through the hands of Dr. Worcester, in 1810, "of \$500 from an unknown donor for the spread of the gospel among the Aborigines of the country." The Missionary Magazine, also, which had already been united with the Panoplist, was becoming more and more a vehicle for the transmission of foreign missionary intelligence—was, in fact, beginning to be, what it now is, the world-known MISSIONARY HERALD. At length, in 1810, the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions was fully organized,—whose first Secretary, Rev. Samuel Worcester, D. D., and whose first Treasurer, Jeremiah Evarts, Esq., for a number of years held the same offices in the Massachusetts Missionary Society. This great event, which marks an era in the history of our country and of the world, left this Society at liberty to shape its plans with more particular reference to the *home* field. Moreover, the *demand* for home missions, which had proportionably increased, could no longer be satisfied with occasional supplies. Churches planted in the new settlements by itinerant missionaries, were asking for permanent ministers. Accordingly in 1814, the *location* of missionaries became a part of the Society's policy—as it is now one of its fixed principles.

But the home missionary idea was not yet fully realized. By the terms of its charter the Society's field of operations lay "among the heathens," or "other people in remote parts of our country." The Board, therefore, deemed themselves forbidden to employ missionaries in "Massachusetts proper," though discerning men saw and said, that there were parts of the State, which, if not sufficiently "remote," were sufficiently *heathenish*, to come within the provisions of the charter. To meet this plain requisition of Providence, and yet avoid the appearance of violating a legislative trust, it was agreed to construct a separate organization for this specific purpose; which was accordingly

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\* Appendix, E.

done by the General Association of Massachusetts at their meeting in Middlefield, June 28, 1818. At that time and place the "Domestic Missionary Society of Massachusetts Proper" was formed, with a Constitution stating that its "object shall be to assist needy churches, parishes and waste places within the limits of Massachusetts Proper;" the Society to "consist of the members of the General Association of Massachusetts Proper for the time being, and of such other persons as shall either be duly elected, or subscribe the requisite sum for constituting membership;" its annual meeting to be held in connection with the meeting of the General Association; and its officers, besides the Moderator and Secretary of that body, to be a Board of twenty-four Directors, clerical and lay in equal proportion. These Directors, agreeably to powers conferred upon them, subsequently appointed two Executive Committees, one for the western part of the State, and the other for the eastern.

Without disparaging any other act of that body, it may be safely affirmed that this is the greatest achievement it ever wrought for the cause of evangelical religion in our Commonwealth. The new organization was the imbodiment of whatever there was left to the Orthodox Congregational interest in the State. Its operations, so far from conflicting with those of the Massachusetts Missionary Society, were but the development of its spirit—the fulfilment of its desires. The patrons of the one were the patrons of the other; and the two need not be considered apart in this historic sketch, during the brief period of their separate existence. A *beginning* was thus made among "the old wastes" of Massachusetts; and at the end of the first year the Directors had so far cleared away the rubbish from the ruins, that they were able to report, as they did to the profound astonishment of all, "not less than *fifty* destitute churches in Massachusetts, *forty* of which stood in need of aid." Still more astonishing to us is the Treasurer's report for that year of only \$272 65 wherewith to repair those wastes; while the average expenditure on a continually increasing number of feeble churches during the seven years which this operation lasted, was but \$1,164 21 per annum! Let it not be inferred, however, that the *results* of this movement were proportionably small. We shall have occasion in another place to notice, that the amount of pecuniary help bestowed on a feeble church, is not the only, nor the *chief* condition of its life and growth.

The Massachusetts Missionary Society, and the Domestic Missionary Society of Massachusetts, pursuing objects so nearly allied, it was not possible that they should proceed far without finding out some way of accomplishing the design of both, through one and the same organization. At the third annual meeting of the Domestic Missionary

Society, viz. in 1821, the subject began to be agitated, and the Directors of that Society were instructed to confer with the Trustees of the other respecting articles of union; whereupon the other appointed a committee to confer with them. These conferences were annually renewed and progress reported, for several years. Two providential circumstances kept the subject alive and hastened the result which was finally reached. The cry that came from evangelical churches driven from their sanctuaries for adhering to the faith on which they were founded, was waxing louder and louder throughout the Commonwealth; and yet the Massachusetts Missionary Society was compelled, by the restrictions of its charter, to stop its ears against that cry, and to withhold its funds from their relief. On the other hand, the Domestic Missionary Society of Massachusetts was equally restrained, by its constitution, from answering the calls from new settlements beyond the Alleghanies, that were beginning to thrill the heart of New England. The following resolution, passed at their annual meeting in 1826, testifies alike to their benevolence and their embarrassment, in reference to this western movement:—"Resolved, That this Society regard with great satisfaction, the establishment of the American Home Missionary Society; and though limited by the third Article of our Constitution to the assistance of needy churches and parishes in Massachusetts, we yet rejoice to become auxiliary to the National Institution, so far as our influence and correspondence may aid its efforts to supply the means of grace to all the waste places of our common country." At length, after procuring from the Legislature such an alteration in the charter of the old Society, and adopting such articles from the constitution of the new, as would enable them to meet both these great demands of Providence, a union of the two organizations was mutually consummated on the 11th of July, 1827, under the name and charter of the Massachusetts Missionary Society; which, by the same act, was also made auxiliary to the American Home Missionary Society, instituted at New York the year preceding.

At the time of this union, one of these Societies had under its patronage twenty-five missionaries, mostly in Maine; and the other about the same number, all in Massachusetts. The mission churches in Maine were gradually transferred to the care of the Maine Missionary Society, and the entire resources of Massachusetts now began to be appropriated according to the new arrangement. One of the terms of union specified, that "after the Society has from year to year supplied the necessities of Massachusetts, its surplus funds shall be paid over to the American Home Missionary Society, to be expended by them in supporting missions in other parts of the United States."



But such had been the havoc made of the Orthodox churches in Massachusetts by the insidious arts of error, and the strong hand of power, that for several years but little was left for the needy *out* of the State, "after supplying the necessities *within*." Five or six thousand dollars a year was required to meet these urgent domestic necessities; and scarcely more than this sum was contributed annually.

In these circumstances the Executive Committee rightly judged, that the presentation of a larger object would beget an enlarged liberality. With this view, at the annual meeting in 1832, they recommended a change in the Society's auxiliary relation. Instead of supplying "the necessities" of Massachusetts *first*, and then paying over to the Home Missionary Society whatever "surplus funds" might be left in the treasury at the end of the year, according to the *seventh* article of that Society's constitution, it was proposed to become auxiliary according to the terms of the *eighth*, viz. "Art. 8. Every Auxiliary Society, shall be entitled to a missionary or missionaries, to labor in such field as it may designate; at least to the amount of its contributions; provided such designation be made at the time of payment." This recommendation was "unanimously adopted," and has ever since been the basis of the connection between the two Societies.

By this arrangement, the Society became not so much an *auxiliary*, as a *component part*, of the National Institution. Its receipts were the receipts of the American Home Missionary Society. Its expenditures were the expenditures of that Society. As the plan went into operation the commissions which it gave were signed by the Secretaries of both Societies, by order of both Executive Committees, and all its missionaries were the missionaries of both. According to the provisions of the above article, it designated the fields on which its funds were expended *in Massachusetts*; and had equal power to designate other fields out of the State, "to the amount of its contributions." But as it would be attended with the expense of an additional set of agents to explore the wants of distant places, which were already under the inspection of the National Society, and as the utmost confidence was reposed in their Executive Board, the Committee of this Society, instead of designating the particular fields out of the State on which the funds from Massachusetts should be expended, chose rather to put into the hands of that Board *all* the funds that could be furnished, leaving it for them to determine where they should be appropriated—unless the donors themselves should determine that matter. In a word, the Massachusetts Missionary Society thenceforth sustained a relation to Western Missions just as intimate as the Parent Society—pursuing the same end, by the same means, and the benefactions of both flowing in one and the same channel.

From this date the work of Home Missions assumed a new aspect in the public mind, and was prosecuted with new vigor. The chief defect of the former auxiliary relation was, its tendency to limit the responsibility of the Society to the feeble churches within its own bounds. But now, every donor, as he cast his gift into the treasury, looking over the whole land could say, "Who is weak and I am not weak? Who is offended and I burn not?" The Great West, which was then drawing to itself the surplus population of the world, and to which Massachusetts was contributing her full share, came as really within the sphere of this Society as any part of our own State. The first year after this arrangement was made, the receipts rose from \$6,275 to \$10,911; and the second year to \$18,744. This extraordinary increase in the amount of contributions must doubtless be ascribed, in no small part, to the labors of the Secretary, who was induced to relinquish his pastoral charge for a term of years, that he might plead the cause in the pulpits of his brethren. This enlarged view of Home Missions, earnestly presented to all the congregations in the State by a mind of congenial amplitude, gave an impetus to the work which it never lost, and never will, till its end is answered in the complete evangelization of the land. The Berkshire and Columbia Missionary Society, and the Hampshire Missionary Society—both chartered institutions—came into an auxiliary relation about this time; while many other county and conference auxiliaries were also formed.\*

The Society has since undergone no other change than "from strength to strength," except in its name. Several Missionary Boards having sprung up among other denominations, which occasioned some confusion and loss of funds, in 1844 the Legislature of the State by request passed an act altering its chartered designation from the Massachusetts Missionary Society, to THE MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.†

### Results.

The amount of good accomplished, and of evil prevented, through the instrumentality of this Society during the half-century now closed, can be fully known only to the Infinite Mind; and we must be content to remain in much ignorance on the most essential points till the FINAL REPORT, which will be made to assembled worlds when "the books are opened." Of the ascertainable facts, the most important have been searched out and are here presented in a tabular form. So far as records and research would enable the Committee to do it, they

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\* Appendix, F.

† Appendix, G.

have given the results of each year separately—thereby making it easy to form a comparison between different periods, and between different years in the same period.

The mode of the Society's operations since its connection with the American Home Missionary Society in 1827, differs in so many respects from the course previously pursued, that it is found necessary to divide the table at that point, and to give each part a different heading, to correspond with the different classes of facts that were developed before and after that year. In the first table the operations of the Berkshire and Columbia, and the Hampshire Missionary Societies, are exhibited *by themselves*. Acting as independent organizations throughout that period, the results of their doings cannot properly be included with those of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society. And yet, the receipts of the former being obtained mostly, and those of the latter wholly, within the bounds of the State, we cannot get a complete view of what has been done in Massachusetts for Home Missions without taking their operations also into the account. In the second table these are combined with the others. For reasons already suggested, the operations of the "Domestic Missionary Society" are not distinguishable from the rest, during the short period of its separate existence. Its *expenditures* are all exhibited in the column denoting the sums "expended in Massachusetts" from 1819 to 1827 inclusive; and that column in the first table embraces nothing more, except a few small appropriations, seldom over \$150 per annum, which the Massachusetts Missionary Society afforded to several feeble churches on the borders of the State.

It will be seen that the second and third columns in the first table denote the number of *missionaries* and the aggregate length of their service; while in the second table the corresponding columns show the number of *churches* aided, and the average amount of aid granted to each. The column indicating the number of "churches built," embraces only those which were erected while the parish was under missionary patronage. The seasons of religious revival that have been enjoyed, and the accessions that have been thereby made to the churches, would furnish an interesting class of statistics; but as *all* the data on these points cannot be had, it seems hardly worth while to embody a *part* of them.

Each year is supposed to *end* with the annual meeting in May;—hence the results of the first year, viz. from May 1799 to May 1800, are set against 1800; and so, throughout.

TABLE I.

*Showing the results before the Society became auxiliary to the National Institution in 1827.*

Year.	Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.			B. & C. M. Soc.		Hamp. M. Soc.	
	No. Miss.	Yrs. Mo.	Receipts.	Expended in Mass.	Expended out of Mass.	Expended.	Expended.
1799						180	
1800			1,045			144	
1801	4	2 3	238		768	266	
1802	5	2 8	1,110		1,089	193	
1803	4	2 6	1,019		1,029	334	
1804	3	2 0	1,660		832	246	500
1805	5	2 4	1,713		1,603	384	700
1806	6	3 0	1,292		1,508	386	1,000
1807	5	3 2	2,672		1,972	264	900
1808	9	5 0	2,115		2,080	458	900
1809	9	5 6	2,168		2,068	384	1,000
1810	6	3 8	1,010		1,078	288	900
1811	7	3 0	1,082		1,032	504	750
1812	8	3 3	2,344		1,076	530	1,000
1813	11	4 0	2,297		1,787	448	1,200
1814	10	4 11	2,033		1,869	480	1,500
1815	8	2 10	1,842		1,542	644	1,500
1816	10	3 0	1,786		1,849	704	1,500
1817	17	4 1	2,486	75	1,491	704	1,600
1818	13	3 3	1,512	100	1,142	742	1,500
1819	15	3 9	2,431	372	1,359	730	1,500
1820	20	5 3	2,954	947	1,807	960	1,500
1821	13	3 0	2,582	744	1,538	864	1,500
1822	23	5 10	2,004	800	1,204	224	1,500
1823	32	6 7	3,171	1,169	1,502	104	2,000
1824	39	8 2	3,504	1,332	1,672	758	2,000
1825	37	8 4	4,341	1,342	2,399	760	2,000
1826	57	11 2	3,907	1,970	1,937	144	2,000
1827	56	13 6	5,073	2,857	2,216	192	2,000

TABLE II.

*Showing the results since the auxiliary connection was formed in 1827.*

Year.	Chhs. aided.	Average aid.	Receipts of M.H. M. Soc.	Other rec. fr Mass. at N.Y.	Total rec. fr. Mass.	Expended in Mass.	Expended out of Mass.	Chhs. built.
1828	42	72	4,363	1,326	5,689	3,026	2,765	
1829	50	88	5,247	2,995	8,242	4,429	3,813	9
1830	63	90	6,106	1,863	7,969	5,679	2,963	5
1831	56	88	5,993	6,899	12,892	4,910	7,863	4
1832	60	101	10,911	3,210	14,121	6,074	3,868	3
1833	61	101	18,339	4,757	23,096	6,210	11,183	8
1834	66	94	14,185	2,580	16,766	6,220	10,580	7
1835	68	99	19,593	4,413	24,007	6,760	13,328	10
1836	72	102	15,900	3,663	19,562	7,362	14,142	8
1837	72	104	13,256	3,690	16,946	7,487	9,286	3
1838	70	118	13,152	3,113	16,265	8,388	6,278	6
1839	80	110	12,885	5,997	18,882	8,954	11,005	6
1840	73	121	12,424	6,307	18,731	8,814	9,726	6
1841	71	124	17,581	3,868	21,450	8,796	10,088	2
1842	75	127	13,197	9,330	22,527	9,579	14,337	6
1843	71	118	15,963	12,783	28,746	8,409	18,788	3
1844	64	133	22,680	8,129	30,809	8,565	21,253	2
1845	62	127	24,280	7,362	31,643	7,889	21,517	5
1846	56	123	24,631	14,821	39,452	6,879	31,821	1
1847	57	125	27,407	8,437	35,844	7,142	26,437	4
1848	55	131	25,542	6,355	31,897	7,239	24,355	4
1849	54	128	28,044	10,858	38,902	7,134	30,868	6

From the foregoing tables we derive the following statement:—

### Receipts and Expenditures.

The receipts into the Treasury of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society during the fifty years of its existence, have been \$413,074. In addition to this there have been contributed from Massachusetts to the National Society at New York, for the same purpose, and as a part of the same operation, \$132,756; amounting in all to \$545,830. If to this we add the \$45,869 which the Berkshire and Columbia, and the Hampshire Missionary Societies expended on their missionaries prior to 1827, the total receipts from Massachusetts for home missionary purposes is \$591,699. Of this sum \$167,553 have been appropriated in this State, and \$345,506 in other parts of the land.

The benevolent mind will be interested in marking the progress which this cause has made among us from year to year, as indicated by the increase of receipts. By dividing the half century into *five* equal periods of ten years each, it will be found that

The first period yielded	\$23,959, or	\$2,395 per annum.		
“ second “	“	\$37,051, or	\$3,705	“ “
“ third “	“	\$59,973, or	\$5,997	“ “
“ fourth “	“	\$170,506, or	\$17,050	“ “
“ fifth “	“	\$300,001, or	\$30,000	“ “

From this it appears that *more than half the receipts of fifty years have been contributed during the last ten.*

### Missionaries.

As nearly as can be ascertained, the Society has had in its employ 486 missionary laborers. In this number are not included those who were sent out by the Berkshire and Columbia and the Hampshire Missionary Societies before they assumed an auxiliary relation; nor those sustained in other parts of the land by funds contributed from Massachusetts to the American Home Missionary Society for that purpose. Of these 486 different laborers, 163 were employed out of the State prior to 1827. The remaining 323 have all been commissioned to labor in Massachusetts since that time. Some of the early missionaries were pastors, who relinquished the care of their flocks to the neighboring ministers for three or four months at a time; and then returned to requite that kindness by affording the same opportunity for others to go. Among this class are found the revered names of Samuel Niles, David Sanford, Jonathan Strong, Samuel Austin and Timothy Dickinson. Other names not less renowned in the annals of Christian

fame are Samuel J. Mills, J. Schermerhorn, Daniel Smith, Joseph Badger and Jonas King. Those most constantly employed during the first fifteen years, were Jotham Sewall, John Sawyer, David Avery, and Samuel Parker.

### Missionary Fields in Massachusetts.

The following list embraces all the parishes in Massachusetts that have been aided by the funds of this Society, arranged in the alphabetical order of the towns in which they are located. Against each, in separate columns, are placed the year when missionary aid was first granted; the length of time it was continued; and the present condition of the church, so far as it can be shown by the number of its members. No distinction is made between those which were assisted by the Domestic Missionary Society, and the others,—as they all came at length under the care of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society. Nor is any notice taken of those fields of *itinerant* labor, covering nearly a whole county, which were occupied for a time by the missionaries of this society. It must not be supposed that the period of missionary patronage is, in all cases, made up of consecutive years; for it has sometimes happened to a feeble church, after it had once risen to self-support, to be thrown back again, by stress of circumstances, into a state of dependence; though the fact is not indicated in the table. In several instances the same church has been known by different names, and has had different localities; but the *present* designation is the only one here given. A star (\*) is prefixed to those which are now under patronage.

Missionary Fields in Mass.	When taken up.	Years aided.	Present No. Ch. Mem.	Missionary Fields in Mass.	When taken up.	Years aided.	Present No. Ch. Mem.
Acton,	1832	1	247	Boston, <i>Suffolk St.</i>	1844	1	101
Adams, <i>North,</i>	1828	8	140	Boxborough,	1825	16	45
<i>*South,</i>	1840	7	51	Bridgewater,	1823	13	79
*Alford,	1846	2	21	<i>East and West,</i>	1828	5	100
Andover, <i>North,</i>	1835	9	57	<i>Scotland,</i>	1840	1	39
*Ashburnham, <i>North,</i>	1847	2	68	Brookfield, <i>South,</i>	1828	10	98
Ashland,	1835	5	122	*Burlington,	1843	6	60
Barnstable, <i>Centerville,</i>	1825	6	95	Cambridge, <i>Shep. Soc.</i>	1830	1	198
<i>*West,</i>	1844	5	71	<i>*East,</i>	1843	6	52
Barre,	1827	5	181	*Canton,	1828	19	35
Berlin,	1830	9	106	*Carlisle,	1829	18	50
Bernardston,	1825	12	77	Carver,	1822	9	101
*Beverly, <i>4th Parish,</i>	1822	15	30	Charlton,	1837	9	92
*Billerica,	1830	17	45	Chelsea, <i>Winnisimmet,</i>	1841	2	239
*Blackstone, <i>Millville,</i>	1825	23	48	*Chester, <i>Factories,</i>	1844	5	27
<i>Waterford,</i>	1833	2		<i>*Village,</i>	1846	3	32
*Boston, <i>German Ch.</i>	1836	11	200	Chelmsford, <i>North,</i>	1828	10	88
<i>Maverick Ch.</i>	1837	4	146	Chicopee,	1823	5	85

Missionary Fields in Mass.	When taken up.	Years added.	Present No. Ch. Mem.	Missionary Fields in Mass.	When taken up.	Years added.	Present No. Ch. Mem.
Chicopee, <i>Cabotville,</i>	1835	1	170	Lynn,	1827	1	177
<i>Falls,</i>	1828	1	159	* <i>Swampscot,</i>	1845	4	26
Chilmark,	1826	11	31	Lynnfield,	1827	18	50
Clarksburg,	1820	1		Malden,	1832	1	95
Cohasset,	1826	15	99	* <i>Melrose,</i>	1848	1	12
Colerain,	1829	3	50	Mansfield,	1839	8	83
Concord,	1835	9	103	*Marshfield, <i>North,</i>	1834	15	39
Dana,	1823	3		Medfield,	1828	13	83
* <i>Storrsville,</i>	1836	13	40	*Mendon,	1828	19	48
Dartmouth,	1817	21	113	Middleton,	1828	14	115
*Deerfield,	1836	12	74	*Milton, <i>Railway Vill.</i>	1843	6	32
Dennis, <i>North,</i>	1829	13		Montague,	1829	4	131
Dighton,	1823	19	59	*Montgomery,	1820	24	35
*Dover,	1842	6	30	Mt. Washington,	1820	5	
*Douglas,	1848	1	57	Nantucket,	1830	1	467
Dunstable,	1830	1	96	Needham, <i>West,</i>	1841	1	100
*Eastham,	1838	8	50	New Bedford, <i>North,</i>	1828	11	57
Edgartown,	1829	1	109	New Salem, <i>North,</i>	1825	16	20
Egremont,	1820	12	83	* <i>South,</i>	1845	4	17
*Erving,	1828	16	21	Northborough,	1832	6	94
Fairhaven,	1820	1	156	*North Chelsea,	1828	12	24
Fall River,	1817	9	213	Northfield,	1827	18	70
Falmouth, <i>North,</i>	1833	3	77	Norton,	1832	5	119
Florida,	1819	2		Oakham,	1831	1	233
Freetown,	1816	7	46	*Orange, <i>North,</i>	1820	6	16
Gay-Head,	1823	4		* <i>South,</i>	1844	5	18
Gill,	1826	5	42	<i>Irvingsville,</i>	1831	16	21
*Gloucester, <i>Annisquam,</i>	1828	20	42	Otis,	1830	4	18
<i>Harbor,</i>	1831	12	121	*Pelham,	1820	18	40
* <i>West,</i>	1820	20	43	Petersham,	1827	10	78
Greenwich,	1830	8	146	Pittsfield, <i>African,</i>	1847	1	
Hadley, <i>North,</i>	1841	1	101	Plymouth, <i>Manomet,</i>	1820	7	125
Halifax,	1838	2	45	Prescott,	1823	17	23
Hanover,	1828	2	68	Provincetown,	1837	9	37
Hardwick,	1828	1	107	Quincy,	1832	16	83
Harwich,	1826	12	120	Reading, <i>North,</i>	1834	8	73
Haverhill, <i>East,</i>	1826	5	28	Rehoboth, <i>North,</i>	1829	1	
<i>West,</i>	1822	7	127	Rochester, <i>Centre,</i>	1824	6	92
*Hawley, <i>West,</i>	1830	18	57	* <i>North,</i>	1820	24	39
Hebronville,	1840	2		<i>South,</i>	1824	7	61
*Hingham,	1847	2	16	*Rowe,	1833	16	37
*Holland,	1820	20	55	Roxbury, <i>West,</i>	1841	4	69
Housatonicville,	1838	5	121	Russell,	1820	6	
*Ipswich, <i>Linebrook,</i>	1831	13	60	Royalston, <i>South,</i>	1837	7	80
*Kingston,	1828	19	83	Salisbury, <i>Hill,</i>	1839	2	62
*Lancaster,	1839	9	73	<i>Village,</i>	1835	11	64
Lawrence,	1847	1	45	Sandwich, <i>Centre,</i>	1820	2	113
Leominster,	1824	7	156	<i>Monument,</i>	1830	14	113
Leverett,	1828	7	91	*Saugus,	1829	19	22
Leyden,	1820	4		Savoy,	1820	2	
Lincoln,	1832	11	102	Saxonville,	1833	8	82
*Littleton,	1840	8	50	Scituate, <i>North,</i>	1825	23	75
Longmeadow, <i>East,</i>	1831	5	125	Sharon,	1823	12	103
Lunenburg,	1835	8	77	*Shutesbury,	1825	20	51

Missionary Fields in Mass.	When taken up.	Years elided.	Present No. Ch. Mem.	Missionary Fields in Mass.	When taken up.	Years elided.	Present No. Ch. Mem.
Southboro,'	1832	5	153	*Washington,	1828	13	50
Shirley,	1828	18	58	Wayland,	1828	14	86
South Hadley, <i>Falls</i> ,	1828	10	122	Webster,	1841	3	122
Southwick,	1840	1	80	Wendall,	1845	2	69
Springfield, <i>Hill</i> ,	1834	1	205	*West Cambridge,	1843	6	67
Stockbridge, <i>Curtisville</i> ,	1848	1	61	Westport,	1820	8	
Stoughton,	1823	7	60	W. Springfield, <i>Agawam</i> ,	1819	8	108
Stow,	1838	9	49	<i>Ireland</i> ,	1823	19	74
Taunton,	1823	4	297	* <i>Ireland Depot</i> ,	1848	1	
<i>Spring S.</i>	1838	9	116	<i>Ferdinshills</i> ,	1819	21	88
Templeton,	1832	4	112	West Stockbridge,	1832	1	96
Tisbury, <i>West</i> ,	1820	16	50	<i>Village</i> ,	1842	2	55
* <i>Holmes' Hole</i> ,	1845	4	24	Wilbraham, <i>North</i> ,	1822	10	193
Tolland,	1832	4	65	<i>South</i> ,	1835	3	74
Truro,	1826	1	76	*Williamstown, <i>South</i> ,	1848	1	70
<i>North</i> ,	1844	1	30	Windsor,	1834	1	105
Wales,	1820	2		Wrentham, <i>North</i> ,	1832	9	52
Walpole,	1827	1	143	Yarmouth, <i>South</i> ,	1834	12	
Waltham,	1826	2	150	Zoar,	1819	1	
*Warwick,	1829	18	56				

It hence appears that the Society has had under cultivation 183 missionary fields in Massachusetts. These, in most instances, when first entered, were moral wastes, overgrown with the thorns and thistles of religious error ; or else new ground never before broken up—the neglected corners of the Lord's vineyard. In every case intelligent and well informed men, living in the immediate neighborhood, testified their belief that Christian ordinances would not be sustained there without help from abroad ; that plants of righteousness would not spring there without missionary culture. How changed the present aspect ! With the exception of about 12 of these waste places,—where a small amount of labor was bestowed merely as an experiment without any attempt to organize a church, or where the feeble organization was afterwards absorbed in some other of the same faith and order more favorably situated,—living churches of Christ are there, comprising nearly *two-fifths* of all the orthodox congregational churches in Massachusetts ; pastors are there, feeding their flocks ; sanctuaries are there, more than 100 of which arose during the period of missionary patronage and in consequence of it ; Sabbath schools and Bible classes are there, training the young in the way of life ; the moral and religious influence of 15,000 church members is there, accumulating new strength by fresh accessions every year ; while fountains of Christian benevolence are flowing out in all directions from these once dreary wastes.

Of the 171 existing churches that have leaned on the arm of the



Society, 116 have risen to the condition of self-support; and more than half of them have come to that estate within the last ten years. The rest, with a few exceptions, hereafter noticed, are every year rising toward the same condition. The average amount of assistance rendered to those which have actually become independent, is \$702; and the average time required to bring them into this state, six and a half years—or \$108 per annum to each.

It will be seen by inspecting the foregoing list, that the amount of effort bestowed on these missionary fields has been extremely unequal—varying in duration from *one* to *twenty-four* years, with a corresponding disparity in the pecuniary appropriations. This difference can be accounted for only by an investigation of the causes which have operated in each case to hinder or help the enterprise. In about 80 instances the operation has been mainly a conflict between evangelical truth on the one side, and some form of religious error on the other—wherein the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society has been called to watch with a tempted church through a night of perils, or encourage its exiled ones to rally and re-organize. To this class belong nearly all that were received under patronage from 1826 to 1832; and though they were generally small and impoverished, not to say persecuted churches, yet, coming into that condition for conscience' sake, and “for the testimony of Jesus Christ,” they were actuated by a *spirit* that made it a comparatively short and delightful task to help them out of their afflictions. Of the others, 42 sprung up in new villages, too remote from the nearest places of worship to be accommodated there. In these cases the office of the Society has been to nourish the new-born church through the tender years of infancy—a task scarcely less delightful. The remaining 48 are chiefly old churches which came upon the hands of the Society diminished by death and emigration, or deluded by Mammon into a penurious support of the ministry, or dying of spiritual lethargy—in all which cases recovery is necessarily slow, and oftentimes the utmost that charity can do is merely to keep alive “the things that are ready to die.”

As an offset to these last named and less hopeful fields of missionary labor, the Executive Committee might mention others, where churches have been helped through their embarrassments by the mere *promise* of help if necessity should require it; and others still where the applicants were persuaded to *extricate themselves* by a little harder struggle. In cases like these—which would swell the above list to another score were they all to be included—the influence of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, if not as visible, has been as valuable, as in any department of its labors.

### Operations out of the State.

But whatever importance may be attached to the known or the unknown results of the Society's labors within the bounds of Massachusetts, this is the smallest part of the field on which its benefactions have been bestowed, and these are but a moiety of the results. For the first seventeen years not a dollar of its receipts was expended here; and during the next eleven years, only \$11,708; or about *one-fifth* of its entire expenditures down to 1827. Its union with the American Home Missionary Society at that time extended its operations over a territory, which by a continual expansion has become 447 times larger than this Commonwealth; with a population at least twenty times as numerous and incomparably more needy. This has been its field of action for the last twenty-two years;—its patrons striving together with many thousands of like purpose in other parts of the land, for the diffusion of the gospel over the whole of our great country. Wherever the evangelizing influence of the American Home Missionary Society has been felt, from the northern extremity of Maine to the borders of Mexico, and from the Atlantic to the Pacific shores, there the helping hand of this Society has been at work, adding strength and intensity to that influence. Whatever dark spot has been illumined, whatever desert place has been gladdened, over the face of this broad land, by the agency of that Institution, has received light and joy from the benefactions of this.

Were it possible, it would be pleasant, to trace out the results of the \$345,303 expended beyond the limits of Massachusetts, as minutely as we have indicated those accruing from the \$167,453 disbursed within her bounds. We should see that while planting the gospel in new settlements, we have been moulding the moral destiny of States, just as by giving direction to the twig, we shape the majestic tree;—that by following the course of New England emigration westward in our missionary appropriations, we have unconsciously been founding another New England, and another, which are already reproducing themselves still farther onward;—that all our own cherished institutions,—our industrial habits, our educational principles, our ecclesiastical polity,—without any direct agency, and yet by a necessary sequence, have kept up with these missionary movements along the whole of this broad and lengthened way. But the details cannot be furnished. Nor is it necessary to find them in order to strengthen our assurance, that every wilderness and solitary place in our land, have resounded, or will resound, with songs of salvation in consequence of these far flowing streams of Christian charity.

### The year now closing,

Has been fraught with the usual tokens of divine favor. *Fifty-four* churches in Massachusetts have been under the care of this Society during some portion of the time since our last anniversary. *Nine* of these have been received since that time; while *ten* that were then reported, have disappeared from the list—showing a net reduction of *one*. It is gratifying to add, that five others are now reported for the last time,—having assumed the entire support of their ministers in the course of the past year; so that the present number dependent on the Society is only 49. Three pastors have been dismissed, and six have been settled. Five meeting-houses have been built, and several others commenced.

The 54 churches included in this report contain 2,672 members; of which 47 have been received by profession, and 94 by letter, during the year.

About 50 souls have been hopefully converted; 55 infants have been baptized; and over 3,000 pupils instructed in Sabbath schools and Bible classes.

The *Treasury*, at the opening of the year, contained \$1,695 87. The subsequent receipts have amounted to \$28,044 26. Of this sum, \$7,033 99 have been paid to missionaries in Massachusetts, \$968 90 for incidental expenses, and \$20,000 to the American Home Missionary Society for disbursement out of the State. In addition to this last named sum \$10,858 16—of which \$6,812 50 were legacies—have been paid by various individuals and congregations directly to that Society, without being included in the receipts of this;—making the entire receipts from Massachusetts amount to \$38,802 42, or \$7,005 91 more than those of the preceding year.

### Principles and Rules.

Those who feel any interest in contemplating these results, will also be interested to know by what methods they have been reached,—what principles have governed the Executive Committee in the management of their trust. Every patron of the Society has a *right* to this knowledge. The Committee take pleasure in giving it. And as it happens that impracticable requests are sometimes made through mere misapprehension, it seems proper to give it in considerable detail.

Allusion has already been made to the general policy of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, and to some of the changes from time to time introduced therein;—that the missionaries were at first employed as *itinerant* preachers for short periods, and paid by the Society in full for the number of weeks or months specified in their commissions;—that the *location* of ministers, where the people would

pledge a reasonable proportion of their support, was adopted as a principle in 1814; that this policy gradually shaped itself into a uniform custom of granting the appropriation to the feeble parish, rather than to the pastor, and with a view to assist *them* in sustaining *him*. This passed into a standing rule in 1827, from which there has been no deviation since, except that in some new fields of labor missionaries have been employed for a short time before a church could be formed;—but always with a view to its speedy formation. In theory, therefore, the parish, and not the pastor is the beneficiary, when missionary patronage is afforded by this Society. It is *their* necessity, not *his*, that the appropriation is designed to relieve. They are expected to proceed like any other parish in procuring a pastor and adjusting the terms of settlement,—placing themselves under the same obligations to pay the stipulated salary, that are common in such cases. If the utmost amount that they can furnish is inadequate to meet these pecuniary obligations, the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society comes to their aid.

But here arises a question of no small perplexity. What is the utmost amount that this feeble society can furnish for the support of their minister? The amount that they actually *will* furnish may depend on a variety of circumstances with which the Executive Committee can properly have no more concern in their case, than in that of any other parish. But how much *ought* they to raise themselves? That there must be some intelligible and uniform standard by which to determine the necessity of those that ask aid, needs no showing. Where shall that standard be fixed so as neither to encourage indolence on the one side, nor to discourage effort on the other? After years of careful observation it has been adopted as a rule, to assist only such parishes as cannot support the ministry by furnishing *one per cent.* of their pecuniary valuation.\* e. g. If the taxable property of all the members of a society amounts, in the aggregate, to \$50,000 as registered on the town assessor's book, and the minister's salary is \$500, the case is not regarded as one of necessity; for *one per cent.* of their pecuniary valuation is just \$500. The same is true where the valuation is \$40,000, and the salary \$400. But when a salary of \$400 is to be paid by a feeble society whose members have an aggregate valuation of \$30,000, the rule would indicate a *necessity* amounting to \$100; and if they should make application to the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society for that sum, other things being right, the Committee would feel justified in granting it.

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\* In the outset of an enterprise, where no Society has yet been organized, this rule can be applied only prospectively; and in some other cases, owing to a looseness in the organization, considerable discretion must needs be exercised in the application of it.

But there is also a limit in the opposite direction, which the Committee evidently ought not to pass, in making their appropriations. As the pecuniary ability in one case may be too large to require missionary help, so in another it may be too small to justify the expensive outlay needed to meet the deficiency. Therefore if a feeble band, applying for aid, must receive more than \$200 per annum from the Missionary Society in order to maintain separate worship, it is judged by the Executive Committee that they are too feeble to embark in the enterprise, and should not, as a general thing, be encouraged to undertake it. This rule, which has its main reason in the impossibility of supplying every want throughout the wide field of Home Missions, operates also as a salutary check on the needless multiplication of churches—a tendency of our times which certainly needs no stimulus from the funds of charity.

In connection with this is another circumstance which the Committee always take into consideration in determining whether new applicants are entitled to missionary patronage; namely, their distance from other places where the word is already preached. As the sole object of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society is to give the gospel to the *destitute*, the Committee presume that all the donations intrusted to their hands are given for that one purpose;—a presumption almost daily confirmed by the testimony of the donors. Whatever pecuniary necessity, or hopeful prospects may be urged by the applicants, still, if their proximity to other churches of their own faith and order, precludes the plea of *distance*, they cannot properly look to *this* source of relief. The principle here involved—which is coeval with the existence of the Society—distinguishes home missions from *church extension*. It may be no more important to the interests of Christ's kingdom to plant the institutions of religion in some new settlement where no church exists, than to add another to the number already flourishing in one of our cities or large towns. The necessity may even be less urgent, and the call of Providence less imperative in the former case than in the latter. Yet the one is a work pertaining to home missions; the other to colonization of churches, or whatever specific name we are pleased to give it. Both are departments of Christian enterprise, but not identical. They are as distinct as home and city missions; or the operations of the American Board, and those of the Seaman's Friend Society. The reason for this distinction is so obvious that the Committee would have deemed a passing allusion to it sufficient, were it not that a misconception of their motives for refusing such requests has sometimes arisen. They desire in all frankness here to say, that with their understanding of the principles on which this Society is founded, and the line of policy it has pursued for

the past half-century, they see not how they can do otherwise without a breach of trust,—especially when the same views which they hold on the subject are continually reiterated in their ears by the patrons of the Society in city, town, and village all over the Commonwealth.

Another standing rule of the Executive Committee requires that applicants for aid shall furnish, in writing, a succinct statement of their condition and prospects; together with a certificate, signed by at least three neighboring ministers, testifying their belief in the correctness of the statement, and recommending that a grant be made. This recommendation is not supposed by either party to take away all discretionary power and responsibility from the Committee,—being designed rather to *assist* their action, than to *control* it. These documents, with whatever information can be derived from other sources, supply the data on which their decision is based.

When, in conformity with the foregoing rules and requisitions, a church has been admitted to the patronage of this Society, the most important, and, so far as the Executive Committee are concerned, the most *critical* part of the operation still remains. Merely to receive from year to year a statement of its wants, and to vote the desired supply, would cost but little time, and less care. But to do this discriminately and in a way to answer the great design which the Society has in view; to find out and apply such principles of missionary appropriation as will most effectually bring up a young church to vigorous maturity, or arrest the decline of an old one—dispensing charity so as to foster the spirit of self-reliance, and not its opposite—*this* is a work of much labor and anxiety.

As the resources of home missions are not intended, like parish funds, to afford perpetual assistance, it is always presumed by the Committee that the necessity for it is *temporary*, and of a nature to be removed by a proper appliance of pecuniary means. Accordingly it is a rule of theirs to pledge no definite sum for a longer period than *one year*. Should the necessity continue, the application may be renewed, and the pledge repeated. But if pecuniary charity is likely to relieve the case at all, it will at length be made apparent in the *smaller* amount required. Nor do the Committee hesitate to diminish the appropriation, after a reasonable time has elapsed, even though there be no abatement in the amount requested. If feeble parishes are occasionally thrown thereby into some embarrassment, they are also rescued from what is more dangerous to their own well-being,—namely, *the habit of relying on missionary help*. Just so far as this is indulged, there comes over them a weakness, a certain want of efficiency, that is only *increased* by continuing the aid; till at last it becomes alike impossible to maintain the ministry without it, or to induce the public to give it. To guard against this,—the greatest, if not the only evil in-

cident to our home missionary work,—requires a familiar and fresh acquaintance with the ever varying circumstances of each assisted church and society. The Executive Committee endeavor to obtain this by exacting quarterly reports from the missionaries who desire quarterly payments; but more especially by propounding a series of questions, to be answered on or before the first of April every year, and designed to draw forth definite information on all the points that can be supposed to have any relation to the religious, ecclesiastical, pecuniary or parochial condition of each missionary field. By this method the Committee have always before them the means, not only of comparing every church with all the rest, but also of marking the absolute progress of each. Nor have they been able to discover any less laborious method of intelligent and impartial action. They do not believe there is any. And when, as sometimes happens, there are conflicting opinions respecting the capabilities and claims of a mission church—the views of one disinterested person being in direct opposition to those of another, and the views of both different from those of the Board—it can be imputed only to a want of that information which such a carefully kept register alone can supply.

Finally; it is a standing rule not to renew the appropriation to a feeble church having a pastor, until he furnishes a certificate that they have satisfactorily fulfilled their engagements with him. The design of it is to prevent the common, but ruinous mistake, to which feeble parishes especially are exposed, of falling in debt to their ministers. And as the Committee have noticed the good effects of this rule, they have wished that it was the happy lot of all other parishes in the land to be placed under the like regimen. It would keep them from much embarrassment, and be a great saving to the cause of home missions, by forestalling the necessity of applying for aid.

The foregoing observations develop the principal features in the line of policy pursued by the Executive Committee; all of which may be summarily stated thus:—

1. To assist feeble churches and societies in sustaining their ministers.
2. To give only such aid as will meet the deficiency after they have paid at least *one per cent.* of their taxable property.
3. In no case to grant over \$200 per annum to the same missionary flock.
4. To afford help only to such as, by reason of *distance*, cannot go to other churches of their own order.
5. To pledge no sum of money for a longer period than one year.
6. To require of each missionary a statistical report of his field annually; and quarterly reports if he desires quarterly payments.

7. To require feeble churches to fulfill their engagements with their pastors each year before they renew their application for aid.

In applying these general rules, which, of course, must be modified somewhat to meet all conceivable cases, the Committee usually give the strongest encouragement to such parishes as (other things being equal) have *settled pastors*; and the least to those which subsist on occasional supplies;—while they have ceased to make any appropriation at all where the preacher does not reside among the people.

### Lessons of Instruction from the Past.

It would be strange indeed if the operations of this Society for fifty years had evolved no important truths respecting the work of evangelization, which were unknown, or but dimly seen, when these operations commenced. Among other lessons of practical interest which a review of the past half-century illustrates, are the three following.

1. *Not to despise the day of small things.* The history of this Society forbids it; and so does the history of each church that has grown up under its patronage. It was truly a day of small things when a State organization, with an object as wide as the religious wants of our country and the heathen world combined, could count but *thirty-nine* members ready to pledge their prayers, and their two dollars per annum, for the relief of those wants! But it has steadily enlarged till its patrons are numbered by hundreds of thousands, and its income during the last twelve months exceeds the entire receipts of the first *seventeen years*. In its beginnings it resembled a small fountain starting forth from the mountain's side, fed by the clouds of heaven, and pursuing its hidden course unnoticed and alone. In its progress it may be likened to the same rill swollen in size, and at length mingling its waters with other kindred rivulets in one deep stream, constantly augmented by new tributaries as it rolls along, till a continent is traversed and fertilized by it. And how many churches in Massachusetts that have shared its benefactions, have a similar history! Of the numerous cases that might be cited, we give but one, merely as an illustration. In their Annual Report for 1822, the Trustees, describing the field which one of the missionaries had that year occupied, say:—“He labored chiefly at a place called *Fall River*. This is a desolate region. Great ignorance and inveterate wickedness abound. Our missionary did what he could to persuade the people to attend public worship, and he thinks there is considerable prospect of a regular society being gathered and the gospel supported. The church, which consists of 33 members, is the fruit of missionary exertions, and still needs our fostering care. Without assistance they may languish and die. If aid be afforded there is reason to think the time is not very



remote when they will not only support themselves but gladly assist in comforting others with the same comfort wherewith they themselves have been comforted." To show how far this prediction has been fulfilled, we need only state, that this same feeble band has since become *two* churches, numbering at present about 400 members; and that beside their annual congregational collections for this society, the *ladies* connected with the youngest of them are now sustaining a home missionary themselves. The fact is—and it is a fact to be pondered—that while the day of small things always precedes the day of great things, and imperceptibly vanishes into it, the work of home missions is necessarily limited to the *former* of these dispensations. He, therefore, who can do nothing till the day of great things has come, will find nothing to do in this work.

2. The voice of the past bids us *not despair of success when we see no immediate results*. Many a field of missionary labor in Massachusetts—now like the garden of the Lord—would have remained a desert to this day, if the work had been abandoned after years of fruitless toil. While the 116 mission churches that have attained to independent support were less than seven years on an average in reaching that condition, many of them were more than twice as long; and in three instances it took over twenty years. Several were given up for a while, both by the missionary and by the missionary society, through sheer discouragement. One church that Dr. Cotton Mather notices as "perishing without vision" in 1693, and which came under the patronage of this Society among the first in the State, has supported a pastor without aid for the last ten years; and shows no present sign that it ever was, or ever will be, unable to do it. Those who deem it a labor lost which does not yield an immediate return, have need to study the analogy of nature. "Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and the latter rain." Especially does the patience of Jesus Christ, the great spiritual husbandman, deserve to be studied; who lets the barren fig-tree cumber the ground one more year, in hope that further culture may yet make it fruitful; who does not abandon the church in Sardis, though having only "a name to live," if they will but "strengthen the things which *remain*, that are ready to die;" who does indeed reluctantly give Ephraim up, but not till he "is joined to his idols." The operations of the last fifty years in Massachusetts, if not of the last 1800 years throughout Christendom, proclaim that a church of Christ, *while actuated by his spirit*, is indestructible,—at least, so long as there are human souls within the reach of its influence wherewith to replenish its ranks. If there be an obstacle in the way of any feeble church now under missionary patronage, that cannot be surmounted by this agency, that obstacle is to be found *within itself*.

It exists in the bosom of its own members,—and can be removed only at their will.

3. And this suggests another important fact, namely, that the efficiency of this Society in helping feeble churches to rise, consists chiefly in *its power to stimulate and combine their own endeavors to help themselves*. No great truth pertaining to home missions has been more fully demonstrated in the history of the past; and none has a higher practical value in its relation to the future. Simple as this truth now seems, its discovery is of recent date. It was evidently concealed from the founders of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society. Instead of aiming to enlist the co-operation of the people among whom they first sent the gospel, by requiring of them a proportion of its support, they at first even prohibited the missionary from receiving their voluntary contributions. And when this liberty was finally granted, it was with the distinct understanding that the contributors were not thereby paying the laborer any part of his hire, but merely making a *donation to the missionary society*. The idea of encouraging feeble churches to help themselves while they were yet receiving help from others, appears to have dawned upon the minds of the Trustees (though faintly) in 1814, while discussing the question of *locating* their missionaries. It was more fully developed several years later, when it became a part of their policy to promote the settlement of pastors. From that day to this it has been gradually unfolding with more and more clearness, till the Executive Committee, after much observation and comparison, have no longer any doubt that this is the process through which home missions work out their chief, and, indeed, their only lasting results. The appropriation may be too small, or it may be too large, to accomplish its object; for its object is, not merely, nor mainly, to supply a destitute flock with the gospel from the funds of charity, but to place that flock in a condition to supply themselves. If the aid be too small to encourage and stimulate their own exertion, it simply fails of answering its design. If it be so large that they will relax the effort which they would otherwise make, there is something more than a failure; there is a positive injury. The church, thus apparently helped, is really hindered, in its progress towards self-support. It is the less likely to live without aid; just as a parish that has subsisted on a fund, is imperiled by the loss of it.

These facts, which are every day receiving fresh confirmation, have had a tendency, as they ought, to modify the action of the Executive Committee. They are fully persuaded that no church, young or old, which has the power within itself to sustain the ministry, can be benefitted by relying on help from without. In every such case they believe that they are doing a greater kindness by endeavoring to call that power into exercise, than by granting an appropriation of charity.

And as it is the *exercise* of such power, rather than the existence of it, that constitutes what is really meant by the pecuniary strength of any church or society, it is manifest that wherever the gospel can and *will* be sustained without aid from abroad, it is no favor, and may be an injury to grant it; that when an infant church is beginning to rise, though its life be still suspended on the hand of help, nevertheless its upward tendency is not retarded, but facilitated by withdrawing that hand just as fast as the capabilities of that church increase; in short, that the main spring of this Society's power resides in the principle of extending just that amount of aid and that kind of supervision to the feeble churches under its care which will most effectually stimulate their endeavors to take care of themselves. And this is the highest style of charity. It is the great principle on which the "Father of mercies" bestows his "good and perfect gifts." Who has not seen that his blessings are doubly blessed to us, as they impose a necessity for exertion on our part to obtain them? And in nothing is this more convincingly seen, than in the blessings of his gospel.

#### Indications of the Future.

Turning now from the past to the future, the prospect that opens upon our vision is one of surpassing interest. Wide and effectual doors invite our entrance into rich and illimitable fields of Christian enterprise. In the spirit and in the words of Jesus Christ may every patron of this Society exclaim, "I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes. Even so, Father; for so it seemed good in thy sight." It can no longer be doubted that great events, and such as will reach out in their influence over the whole earth, and forward through all time, are wrapped up in the future history of American Home Missions;—ready to be revealed just as fast as this work proceeds. During the fifty years since this Society entered upon its mission of evangelizing "the remote parts of our country where Christ is seldom or never preached," the country itself has increased in territory from 763,000 square miles to 3,252,684; and in population from 5,305,940 to 22,000,000. At that time, too, the people, and of course the fields of home missionary labor, were nearly all found on the Atlantic slope,—a tract not so large as the new State of Texas. Now the Valley of the Mississippi alone contains nearly 11,000,000 inhabitants; while on our far-off Pacific shores, populous cities and full-grown States are springing up almost in a day. This extension of territory; this growth of population and their rapid expansion; together with the characteristic energy, and enterprise and moral power of the race to which God has given the lead in peopling

this vast domain, are tokens of Providence which cannot be mistaken. They indicate the speedy development of some great divine plan, involving the interests of the whole human family.

And what part is the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society to act in this Grand Drama now opening? What report will be rendered by the Executive Committee whose privilege it shall be to review the next half-century? Impenetrable as the future is and must be to us, we are not without the data on which to ground a prediction. That the little State of Massachusetts, which is all the while growing relatively less, will be honored with an important agency in these forth-coming and far-reaching movements of Providence, can hardly be questioned. Her Puritan origin, her past history, her present and prospective resources both of wealth and moral power, all warrant the expectation. Whoever will consider the subject shall find, moreover, that her people, and especially her Congregational Churches, have been carried through a remarkable process of *preparation* for just such a work. The supreme importance of religious institutions, both to the life that now is and that which is to come, has been inculcated among us from generation to generation ever since the Pilgrims kept their first Sabbath on these shores. And lest we should forget the lesson, every historical fact, every nursery tale of those Pilgrim Fathers, awakens the recollection of it in our minds, and deepens its impression on our hearts; for every such fact and legend stands connected with some high endeavor of theirs, either to possess, or to impart, the blessings of the gospel. If any in the land may be supposed to feel an interest in diffusing these blessings among the destitute, who more than the sons of such sires, trained up in such scenes? It should be remembered also that our churches have been compelled to *practice* what they have learned on this subject. The calamities they have suffered—so painful to remember, yet so impossible to forget—have accustomed their sympathies to flow out toward the weak, by imposing on them the necessity of bearing one another's burdens. We cannot over-estimate the value of this experience, as a preparative for the great home missionary work that is now to be done. Who has not seen that it is the sympathizing heart, rather than the full purse, which insures relief, when the cry of distress is heard? Who does not know that there is a *habit* of benevolence, as there is also a habit of parsimony; and that both are strengthened by use?

In addition to these hopeful circumstances it is worthy of grateful notice, that our churches and congregations were never more at rest, and therefore never more at liberty than they now are to bestow their labor on the field at large. The time was when this Society had more than it could well do to support the falling churches of our own faith and order here at home. It was a day of perils. "Without were

fightings; within were fears." And in the long-protracted conflict, about *ninety* churches, founded on the primitive faith, were lost to the cause of evangelical religion. But that time is past. The perilous conflict has ceased; and the loss has already been more than made up. When the defection began, there were only about 350 Congregational churches in the State, including those which subsequently became Unitarian. *Now*, the evangelical portion alone number 453. No doubt there will be occasion hereafter, as there is at present, to extend a helping hand to feeble churches in Massachusetts. But unquestionably the number will diminish with every passing year, as it has for the last ten. Then will rise up new churches, faster than they have yet risen. But it cannot be supposed that in these enterprises, the past and the present mode of church extension among us will be abandoned for a general reliance on missionary funds. In short, there is nothing now in prospect to discourage the hope, that the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society will be permitted by the Master to take a large share in the work which he is laying out for the friends of American Home Missions.

And what Christian, what patriot, having divine *permission*, can need *persuasion*, to enlist his energies in this work? It is permission to co-operate with God and good men in hastening on that day in our country's history which the far-seeing EVARTS anticipated while he was yet with us;—"when the sun, as he rises on a Sabbath morning and travels westward from Newfoundland to Oregon, shall behold countless millions assembling, as if by a common impulse, in the temples with which every valley, mountain and plain will be adorned;—when the morning psalm and evening anthem, commencing with the multitudes on the Atlantic coast, shall be sustained by the loud chorus of ten thousand times ten thousand in the Valley of the Mississippi, and prolonged by the thousands of thousands on the shores of the Pacific." It is even more than this; it is permission to prepare the way of the Lord for his sudden entrance into the darkest province of Satan's dominions on the earth. Pagan China, hitherto so remote from Christendom, and surrounded by a bulwark of ancient superstition more impregnable to Christian effort than her huge wall ever was to Tartar tribes, is coming to be our neighbor, and will catch the notes of that morning psalm and evening anthem from our lips. That God is preparing to open a highway for the gospel to the heart of heathen Asia across this new continent, and that he is about to commit the momentous trust to our hands, is no longer doubtful to those who observe his tokens. And lest this country should want means to carry out the stupendous plan, he has reserved *hidden treasure* from the foundation of the world till this eventful moment. For who shall dare deny that the silver and the gold of California, and the cattle upon her thousand

hills, are the Lord's? or who can indulge the doubt, that the gathering millions of her population, once brought under the power of the gospel themselves, will, "as every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God?" Any lower view of the subject is too low for a Christian to take. Groveling minds, looking only at earthly things, may see in these strange movements only a shorter way to wealth, or a sudden enlargement of our national domain,—just as Cyrus and the proud Assyrian understood not the scope of their mission, while fulfilling, to the letter, the purpose of Jehovah. But to the disciples of Christ, to whom "it is given to know the mystery of the kingdom of God," these developments bring the hope of better things than glittering dust, or national grandeur. They foreshadow the speedy extension of the Redeemer's reign on earth. They are recognized as the signals of God, beckoning us on to higher endeavors than we have yet made, and promising better facilities than have yet been furnished.

# TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr. The Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in account with Benjamin Perkins, Treasurer. Cr.

To paid Missionaries, . . . . .	\$7,171 49	By balance last year, . . . . .	\$1,695 87
" American H. M. Society, . . . . .	20,000 00	" Income from Fund, . . . . .	773 80
" Agency, Traveling Expenses, and incidentals, . . . . .	988 90	" " Mrs. Osborne's Fund, . . . . .	73 00
" A. B. C. F. M. from Mrs. Osborne's Fund, . . . . .	73 00	" Contributions and Legacies, . . . . .	27,214 65
Balance to new account, . . . . .	1,543 93		
	<u>\$29,767 32</u>		<u>\$29,767 32</u>

Boston, May 16, 1849.

Errors Excepted,

BENJAMIN PERKINS, TREASURER.

Boston, May 26, 1849. I have this day examined the above account of Benjamin Perkins, Esq., Treasurer of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, and find the same correctly cast and well vouched.

JULIUS A. PALMER, AUDITOR.

## DONATIONS,

FROM MAY 16, 1848, TO MAY 16, 1849.

<i>Abington</i> , A Friend,	2 00
South, Monthly Concert in Rev. Mr. Powers's Society,	26 00
East, Rev. Mr. Walker's Society,	27 00
<i>Attleboro'</i> , Female Benevolent Society, \$30 of which to const. Mrs. Chloe Daggett	
Life Member A. H. M. Society,	43 50
Rev. Mr. Crane and family, with former contribution, to const. Mrs. N. W.	
Sanford Life Member,	15 00
A Friend,	2 00
Legacy of Mrs. Anna Dunbar, to const. Mr. L. Sweet Life Member A. H. M.	
Society,	30 00
Female Benevolent Society of 2d parish, to const. Mrs. Hannah Cladin Life	
Member A. H. M. Society,	42 82
West, Ladies' H. M. Society, 24; Cong. Society, 28;	52 00
<i>Ashby</i> , Ladies' Char. Society, to const. Mrs. Catharine S. Wood, Life Member	34 96
Legacy of Dea. Ephraim Hayward, to const. Messrs. Paul Hayward, Joel	
Hayward, James Hayward, John Hayward, Samuel Hayward, and Mrs.	
Sarah Hayward, Life Members,	200 00
Mrs. Johnson, \$30 of which to const. Mr. Strong Hayward, of Boxboro', Life	
Member,	50 00
Congregational Church and Society,	39 83
<i>Andover</i> , Rev. Joseph Emerson, to const. Sarah and Edward Emerson Life Mem-	
bers A. H. M. Society,	60 00
Collection in Theological Seminary,	30 25
North, Rev. Mr. Briggs's Society, 57; New Year's Offering from the Children,	
30,89;	87 89
<i>Ashburnham</i> , Cong. Society, 15,65; Mrs. A. Cutler, 1; Mrs. A. R. Rockwood, 1;	17 65
Rev. Mr. Whittimore's Society,	11 00
<i>Ashfield</i> , Ladies' H. M. Society, 21,35; Gentlemen's do. 26,40;	47 75
<i>Amherst</i> , Rev. Job Cushman, with former donation, to const. Horace Kellogg, N.	
C. Dickinson, Rev. Martyn Cushman, and Rev. Job Cushman, Life Mem-	
bers A. H. M. Society,	100 00
College, Faculty and Students,	50 00
1st Parish, Gent. 88; Ladies, 46,79; Sabbath School, 2,76;	157 55
<i>Athol</i> , Rev. Mr. Chipman's Society,	22 02
<i>Acton</i> , Rev. Mr. Woodbury's Society,	20 00
<i>Bedford</i> , Cong. Society, Monthly Concert,	15 43
Ladies' Assoc. with former payment, to const. Mrs. Julia K. Sikes Life Mem.	11 25
<i>Boxford</i> , West, Female Charitable Society,	10 00
1st Parish, Rev. Mr. Coggin's Society,	53 75
<i>Beverly</i> , Rev. Mr. Dole's Society, to const. Mrs. Sarah Hooper Life Member,	56 00
Dane St. Church, Collection, 48,61; Female H. M. Society, 37,45;	85 96
Capt. A. Lefavour,	30 00
Rev. Mr. Gannett's Society,	20 00
<i>Bradford</i> , Rev. Mr. Munroe's Society, Coll. 74,10; Ladies' Benev. Society, 18;	92 10
Mrs. Kimball, to const. her son, N. W. Kimball, Life Member,	30 00
Rev. Mr. Perry's Society,	18 55
<i>Brookline</i> , Ladies of Harvard Sewing Society,	28 00
John Heath,	10 00
Harvard Society, \$120 of which to const. Louisa Lord Dana, Nathaniel Dana	
Turner, Kate Winthrop Turner, and Helen Turner, Life Members A. H. M.	
Society,	249 49
<i>Brookfield</i> , Association for Mutual Assistance, S. M. Lane, Tr.	557 02
Do. Southbridge, Cong. Society, 134,62; N. Brookfield, 40; Dana, (Storrs-	
ville,) 13; Hardwick, 66,55; Spencer, 82,41;	355 58
West, Rev. Mr. Parker's Society,	56 00
<i>Barnardston</i> , Orthodox Society,	25 00
Mrs. L. Goodale, to const. her grand-son, John C. Newcomb, Life Member,	30 00
<i>Berkshire and Columbia Missionary Society</i> , L. Church, Esq. Tr.	625 00



<i>Bridgewater</i> , Trinitarian Cong. Society,	18 00
North, A Friend,	10 00
Do. A Friend, to const. Mrs. Mary Howard Life Member,	30 00
Do. Rev. Mr. Huntington's Society,	29 15
East, Rev. Mr. Sandford's Society,	19 00
<i>Billerica</i> , Cong. Society, Monthly Concert,	15 00
<i>Blackstone</i> , Rev. Mr. Burdett's Society,	50 00
<i>Brimfield</i> , Benevolent Association, S. Homer, Tr.	42 19
<i>Barre</i> , Ladies' Benevolent Society,	14 00
<i>Burlington</i> , Cong. Society, 3,50; Ladies, 5;	8 50
<i>Braintree</i> , Rev. Dr. Storrs's Society, four quarterly collections, 69; Monthly Concert, 54,25;	125 25
<i>Boston</i> , Old South Society, bal. of last collection, 5; J. C. Howe, Esq. 40;	45 00
Miss Caroline Eaton,	6 00
Mr. A. Phelps, for support of Rev. A. J. Copeland,	50 00
A mite, from one on a bed of languishment,	4 00
A Lady, 1; Friend, 50c.; do. 1;	2 50
Pine Street Society, annual collection,	362 80
Mount Vernon, " " "	472 10
Church of the Pilgrims, " " "	34 69
Old South Society, " " "	775 00
Essex Street " " "	584 20
Winter Street " " "	925 18
Bowdoin St. " " "	778 07
Salem Street, " " "	109 50
Park Street, Gent., 455,75; Ladies, 157,90;	613 55
Phillips Church and Society, \$30 of which from Dea. A. Simonds, to const. his son, Joseph H. Simonds, Life Member A. H. M. Society; \$30 from Mr. Allen, to const. his son, C. J. F. Allen, Life Member A. H. M. Society; \$30,36, Monthly Concert; \$175 from Mr. A. Phelps, for support of Rev. A. J. Copeland, Illinois,	805 86
<i>Cambridge</i> , Shepard Society, Missionary Sewing Circle,	45 00
Rev. Mr. Stearns's Society, of which \$50 from C. Valentine, Esq., to const. Mrs. Joanna C. Valentine Life Member,	122 00
Shepard Society, contribution, 77,80; Monthly Concert, 34,37,	112 17
Legacy of Miss Mary Sewall, by Hardy Ropes, Esq., Executor,	200 00
West, Rev. Mr. Horton's Society, with former payment, to const. John Field, Esq. Life Director, and John W. Field Life Member A. H. M. Society,	100 00
Missionary Sewing Circle, to const. Charles W. Homer Life Member,	50 00
<i>Centreville</i> , Rev. Mr. Bacon's Society,	20 00
<i>Charlestown</i> , Rev. Mr. Budington's Society,	82 61
Mary Ann Chadwick, to const. her Life Member,	30 00
Winthrop Church and Society,	321 28
<i>Chelsea</i> , Mr. L. B. Horton, to const. him Life Member,	30 00
Winnisimmet Church and Society,	103 65
<i>Cumington</i> , 1st Congregational Society,	7 00
<i>Chatham</i> , Congregational Society,	26 00
<i>Clintonville</i> , Rev. Mr. Corning's Society, to const. Rev. Wm. H. Corning Life Director, and Dea. J. B. Parker Life Member A. H. M. Society,	140 00
<i>Carver</i> , Mr. Ezra Lucas,	6 00
<i>Carlisle</i> , Evangelical Society,	25 00
<i>Dennis, South</i> , Rev. J. H. Pettingill,	10 00
<i>Dorchester</i> , Mrs. Lucy Blake, to const. Rev. James H. Means Life Member A. H. M. Society,	30 00
2d Cong. Society, annual collection, of wh. \$7,12 from Mr. Wales's S. S. class,	100 00
Neponset Home Missionary Circle,	26 00
Ladies' Home Missionary Society, 2d Parish,	133 00
Village Ladies' H. M. Society, to const. Mrs. Isabella McCloud Life Member,	71 00
An Unknown Friend, by Rev. D. Dyer,	20 00
Legacy of Rev. John Codman, D. D., by C. R. & R. Codman, Executors,	1,000 00
<i>Danvers</i> , Rev. Mr. Braman's Society,	54 38
Rev. Mr. Field's Society,	148 74
3d Congregational Church and Society,	27 40
<i>Dunstable</i> , Cong. Society, to const. Dea. M. Fletcher Life Member,	39 10
<i>Dracut</i> , 1st Congregational Society,	38 07
<i>Dedham</i> , Fem. Dom. Miss. Society, to const. Rev. Dr. Burgess Life Member A. H. M. Society,	43 00
<i>Dover</i> , Evangelical Society,	7 00
<i>Dudley</i> , Congregational Society,	70 35
<i>Easthampton</i> , Samuel Williston, Esq.	180 00
<i>Essex County</i> , a Friend,	10 00
<i>Enfield</i> , Benevolent Society,	610 00
Ladies' Sewing Society,	40 00

<i>Essex North Aux. Society</i> , R. Bailey, Tr.—Amesbury, West Parish, 56,64; a Friend, 1; do. Rev. Mr. Moredough's Society, 25; Linebrook, 18,67; Newbury, Rev. Mr. Withington's Society, 89,85; a Friend in Rev. Mr. Fisk's Society, 50; Rowley, Rev. Mr. Pike's Society, 50,40;	290 56
Newburyport, Female H. M. Society, in Rev. Mr. Campbell's Church, 50; Rev. Dr. Dimmick's Society, 24,71; Mrs. Mary Greenleaf 100; Salisbury, Mrs. Fifield, 1; Rev. Mr. McDonough's Society, 50; a Friend, 1;	226 71
Newburyport, Rev. Dr. Dimmick's Society, 114,66; Female Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, 20; a Friend, to const. Mrs. Ann Gould Life Member, 30; Newbury, Ladies' H. M. Society in Rev. Mr. Fisk's Society, 79,14; Gent. 20; ——— to const. Mr. John Teel, Mrs. Jeremiah Sawyer, Mrs. Sophronia B. Batchelder, Mrs. Sally Moody, Mrs. Nancy S. Bartlett, Miss Elizabeth S. Morse, and Dea. Benjamin Davis, Life Members,	263 80
Meeting of Churches at Amesbury, 12,45; Newbury, Rev. Mr. Fisk, 2; Newburyport, Rev. Dr. Dimmick's Society, 26,96; a Friend, 1; Amesbury, Rev. Mr. Moredough's Society, 57; Rev. Mr. Payne's Society, 73,15;—to const. Rev. Albert Payne and Francis Smiley, Life Members,	172 56
<i>Franklin County Home Missionary Society</i> , C. Root, Tr.—Shelburne, Gent. 71,18; Ladies, 54,32; Buckland, Cong. Society, 47,14; Warwick, Ladies, 15,50; Gent. 5; East Charlemont, 16,31; Rowe, 32,35; Northfield, Trinitarian Society, 13,56; Bernardston, 10,75; Leverett, Evan. Society, 16,32; Conway, Cong. Society, to const. Mrs. Mary Avery Life Member, 20; North Deerfield, Ortho. Society, 30;	332 42
Do. Greenfield, 1st Cong. Society, 27,33; 2d do. 65; Rev. A. Chandler, 5; Montague, Ladies, 22,87; Gent. 27,21; Monthly Concert, 17,12;—to const. Mr. Joshua Marsh and Mrs. Zelinda Bardwell, Life Members,	164 53
Do. Buckland, 76,47; Greenfield, F. Ripley, 5; Ashfield, Asa Sanderson, 30,50;	111 97
<i>Fairhaven</i> , D. B. and E. W. Montague,	3 00
<i>Framingham</i> , Hollis Evan. Society,	77 00
Mrs. Stevens,	1 00
<i>Falmouth</i> , North, Monthly Concert,	17 00
East, Dea. B. Hatch,	3 00
Rev. Mr. Hooker's Society,	124 00
<i>Franklin</i> , Female Charitable Society,	23 25
<i>Fitchburg</i> , Mrs. Polly Daniels,	5 00
<i>Foxboro'</i> , Cong. Society, with former cont. to const. Rev. William Bacon Life Director A. H. M. Society,	85 51
Legacy of Mrs. Junia Leonard,	40 00
<i>Fall River</i> , Central Cong. Society,	100 18
Edward S. Chase,	15 00
<i>Gill</i> , Congregational Society,	12 22
<i>General Association</i> , Meeting at Chelsea, collection,	22 60
<i>Georgetown</i> , Cong. Society, to const. Rev. John M. Prince L. Mem. A. H. M. Soc.	67 09
<i>Gloicester</i> , West Parish, Cong. Society,	18 35
<i>Greenwich</i> , Ladies' H. M. Society, to const. Mrs. John Root Life Member,	42 32
<i>Holden</i> , Rev. Mr. Paine's Society, 76,64; Congregational Society, 62;	138 00
<i>Hopkinton</i> , Ladies' Missionary Society, to const. Mrs. Joseph Valentine and Mrs. E. R. Webster Life Members A. H. M. Society,	78 00
Congregational Church and Society,	23 28
Legacy of Mr. Samuel Goddard, in part,	97 10
<i>Hanson</i> , Rev. Mr. Rockwood's Society,	4 50
<i>Holliston</i> , Rev. Mr. Stone's Society,	70 83
<i>Harwich</i> , Mrs. Mercy Rogers,	6 00
Mr. Mayo Rogers,	1 00
<i>Haverhill</i> , Rev. Mr. Hosford's Society, 79,77; Monthly Concert, 19,43;	99 20
Legacy of Mrs. Phebe Bradley, in part,	550 00
<i>North and Plaistow</i> , United Society, to const. Dea. Simeon Welch Life Mem.	35 00
<i>Hampden Co. Home Missionary Society</i> , H. Brewer, Jr. Tr. 400; do. 619;	1,019 00
Do. \$30 of which from Ladies' Working Society, N. Wilbraham, to const. Mrs. Betsey Burt Life Member A. H. M. Society; \$30 from Moses Ashley, West Springfield, to const. him Life Member A. H. M. Society; Ladies' Sewing Circle, Southwick, to const. Rev. Henry Cooley Life Member A. H. M. Society,	788 50
Do. Legacy of Mrs. Ruth P. Knox, Blandford, to const. Elijah Knox, Eleanor K. Brewster, Ruth K. Gould, and Curtis Knox, Life Members A. H. M. Soc.	138 00
<i>Hatfield</i> , An aged Friend,	3 00
Congregational Church and Society,	11 00
<i>Hanover</i> , Congregational Society,	20 00
<i>Harvard</i> , a Friend,	15 00
<i>Holland</i> , Ladies' H. M. Society,	10 00
<i>Hampshire Co. Home Missionary Society</i> , E. Williams, Tr.—Northampton, 133,85; Southampton, 30,76; Westhampton, 24,43; Williamsburg, 46,26;	235 30

<i>Hawley, West, Rev. Mr. Eastman's Society,</i>	28 75
<i>Ipswich, Rev. Mr. Fitz's Society,</i>	100 00
Rev. C. Kimball,	10 00
<i>Kingston, 2d Cong. Church and Society, 5,05; do. 4,02; do. 6,34; do. 9; do. 11,51;</i>	35 90
<i>Lynn, A deceased Friend,</i>	50
<i>Lynnfield, Rev. Mr. Green's Society,</i>	12 00
<i>Lawrence, Rev. Mr. Whiting's Society, 46,70; Monthly Concert, 18,42;</i>	65 12
<i>Leominster, Ladies' Sewing Society,</i>	15 00
<i>Lancaster, Rev. Mr. Packard's Society,</i>	28 75
<i>Littleton, Ortho. Cong. Society, to const. Mr. John F. Robbins Life Member,</i>	32 80
<i>Leicester, A Friend,</i>	5 00
<i>Medway, Monthly Concert in Rev. Dr. Ide's Society,</i>	12 00
A Friend, 3,50; do. 20;	23 80
<i>East, Rev. Mr. Harding's Society, Gents. Asso. 63,75; Ladies' do. 49,27; an Individual, 3;</i>	116 02
<i>Village, Rev. Mr. Sandford's Society, to const. Mrs. Rebecca A. Hurd, Elias Metcalf, and Eleanor M. Fisher, Life Members,</i>	73 50
<i>Medfield, Rev. T. T. Richmond,</i>	3 00
<i>Middleboro', Rev. Mr. Colby's Society,</i>	7 00
Rev. Mr. Bragg's Society,	41 60
Rev. Mr. Putnam's Society,	55 30
<i>Middleton, Congregational Society,</i>	20 02
Ladies' Missionary Society, to const. Mrs. Betsey Peabody Life Member,	30 00
<i>Marblehead, Rev. Mr. Lawrence's Society,</i>	36 25
<i>Marlboro', Union Church and Society,</i>	30 06
<i>Milton, Female Missionary Society, to const. Mrs. M. Sargeant Life Member,</i>	30 00
Railway Village, Cong. Society,	45 00
<i>Millbury, 2d Cong. Society, to const. Rev. L. Griggs Life Member,</i>	50 00
1st Church, collection, 69,34; Ladies' Sewing Circle, 12,06;	81 39
<i>Mendon, North, Evangelical Society,</i>	6 75
<i>Methuen, Cong. Society, to const. Dea. J. F. Ingalls, Dea. Edward Carlton, Dea. J. J. Davidson, and Mr. William Thaxter, Life Members A. H. M. Society,</i>	124 08
<i>Marshfield, Mrs. Elijah Ames,</i>	1 00
Rev. Mr. Tappan's Society,	26 31
<i>Medford, Mystic Church, for support of Rev. F. Parsons, Wisconsin,</i>	175 25
1st Cong. Church and Society,	39 00
<i>Manchester, Rev. Mr. Taylor's Society, \$30 of which from two friends, to const. Dea. J. Price Life Member A. H. M. Society,</i>	86 32
A Friend of Missions, for the West, to const. Mr. Charles H. Trask and Mr. George R. Lord Life Members A. H. M. Society,	60 00
<i>Middlesex North and Vicinity Charitable Society, J. S. Adams, Tr.—Ashby, 70c.; Groton, 53,20; Leominster, 61,25; Shirley, 8,34; Boxboro', 15; Harvard, 52; Lunenburg, 57,30;—to const. Mrs. Mary Putnam Life Member; Westford, 27,28; less expenses, 2,64;</i>	270 43
Pepperell, 58,58; Westford, 23,17;	81 78
<i>Mansfield, Rev. Mr. Blake's Society, to const. him a Life Member,</i>	30 00
<i>Milford, Miss Sophia Jones,</i>	1 00
<i>Northbridge, Rev. Mr. Bates's Society, to const. him Life Member,</i>	46 00
<i>Newton, West Parish, Mrs. Baxter, to const. her Life Member,</i>	30 00
" A Friend, 10; do. 10; do. 10;	30 00
Eliot Society, balance last year, 19,50; contribution, 75; do. 75;	169 50
A Friend, by Rev. Mr. Partridge,	5 00
Rev. Mr. Furber's Society, Monthly Concert, 19,06; Mrs. B. Jackson, 10;	29 06
Miss Hannah Warren,	5 00
Ladies' H. M. Society,	11 37
1st Church and Society, Monthly Concert and collection,	23 86
Rev. Mr. Gilbert's Society,	70 00
<i>Northboro', A Lady,</i>	30 00
<i>Norfolk Conference, Collection at the Semi-annual Meeting, J. Tolman, Tr. 50,08; do. 38,25;</i>	88 33
<i>Northfield, Trinitarian Society,</i>	17 00
<i>Norton, Rev. Mr. Barrows' Society, \$20,62 of which from Wheaton Seminary, for Western Missions,</i>	153 86
<i>Newburyport, Gleaning Circle, to const. Rev. J. E. Emerson Life Member,</i>	30 00
Female Indian Society, to const. Mrs. Jeremiah Colman Life Member,	40 00
<i>New Bedford, Trinitarian Cong. Society, with former contribution, to const. Rev. George L. Prentiss Life Director A. H. M. Society,</i>	63 00
North Cong. Society, to const. Rev. Azariah Eldridge Life Member A. H. M. Society,	50 00
<i>Natick, Benev. Society, to const. Mrs. Mary Leland, Mrs. Julia Pratt, Mrs. Mary E. Leland, Mrs. Harriet Mann, Life Members,</i>	100 00
<i>Orleans, Congregational Society,</i>	9 00
<i>Oxford, Rev. Mr. Bardwell's Society,</i>	75 00

<i>Old Colony Auxiliary Society</i> , Rev. J. C. Thatcher, Tr.—New Bedford, Pacific Society, 15; S. Dartmouth, Cong. Society, 30; Mattapoisett, \$30 of which, a legacy from Capt. Seth Freeman, to const. Mrs. Dolly P. Freeman Life Member, 88,75;	133 75
Rev. Mr. Nott's Society, Wareham, 52,56; do 31,28;	83 84
<i>Plymouth</i> , 2d Cong. Church and Society,	12 00
<i>Pembroke</i> , Miss Mary Ford, 5; do. 2;	7 00
<i>Phillipston</i> , Rev. Mr. Perkins's Society, 43,25; do. to const. Mrs. Chloe R. Sander-son, Mrs. Phebe P. Stone, Mrs. N. Baldwin, Mrs. Lucy Carruth, Mrs. Harriet B. Golding, Life Members A. H. M. Society, 156;	199 25
<i>Pelham</i> , Cong. Church and Society, 6; do. 6;	12 00
<i>Plympton</i> , Cong. Church and Society,	5 00
A Friend,	2 00
<i>Provincetown</i> , Congregational Society,	7 00
<i>Quincy</i> , Ladies' H. M. Society,	10 25
A Lady,	1 00
<i>Royalston</i> , South, Rev. Mr. Leland's Society,	7 18
Rufus Bullock, Esq. to const. Rev. Norman Hazen, L. Director A. H. M. Soc.	100 00
<i>Rockport</i> , A Friend in Rev. Mr. Gale's Society,	5 00
Legacy of Mrs. Polly Rowe,	10 00
<i>Rochester</i> , North, Rev. I. Briggs, 15; Mrs. H. Briggs, 5;	20 00
Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Briggs, to const. her a Life Member,	30 00
Mr. Job T. Toby, to const. him a Life Member,	50 00
<i>Rutland</i> , Annual Collection,	19 20
<i>Roxbury</i> , Eliot Society, Annual Collection, 426,50; a Friend, 5; do. 10; do. 5; do. 5; do. 5;	456 50
<i>Randolph</i> , 1st Parish, Female Missionary Society, 12; Collection, 32,12;	44 12
East Parish, Rev. Mr. Peabody's Society,	51 05
<i>Rose</i> , Rev. Mr. Clark's Society,	43 51
<i>Reading</i> , South, Rev. Mr. Emerson's Society,	50 00
Cent Society, Mrs. L. Spaulding, Secretary,	26 62
North, Rev. Mr. Allen's Society, to const. Mrs. Anna E. Allen Life Member, 36,25; do. 3;	39 25
<i>Rhineboth</i> , Rev. Mr. Grosvenor's Society,	11 00
<i>Stoneham</i> , Cong. Society, Monthly Concert,	10 57
Ladies' Benev. Society,	33 00
<i>Stadbury</i> , Rev. Mr. Ballard's Society,	21 00
Ladies' H. M. Society, to const. Mrs. Charlotte Rice, Mrs. Sybil Smith, and Mrs. Mary Dakin, Life Members A. H. M. Society,	90 00
<i>Stoughton</i> , Cong. Society, 5,25; do. 18;	23 25
Female Benev. Asso. to const. Mrs. Lucinda H. Park Life Member,	30 00
<i>Sturton</i> , Rev. Mr. Tracy's Society, 70; do. 90,13;	160 13
<i>Southboro'</i> , Ladies' Dom. Miss. Society, to const. Mr. Nathaniel Fay Life Member,	36 87
Pilgrim Evan. Society, 13,17; do. 11,82;	24 99
<i>Seekonk</i> , George Bucklin, 1; Joseph Bicknell, 50c;	1 50
<i>Scituate</i> , Rev. Mr. Wight's Society,	20 45
<i>Stockbridge</i> , West, Cong. Church and Society,	21 00
<i>Sandwich</i> , Rev. Mr. Wells's Society,	22 66
<i>Stowe</i> , Ladies' Benev. Society, to const. Rev. T. Cooke Life Mem. A. H. M. Soc.	30 00
Evan. Church and Society, to const. Dea. Calvin Lane L. Mem. A. H. M. S.	30 00
<i>South Hadley</i> , Rev. Mr. Thompson's Society,	55 00
<i>Falls</i> , Ladies' Benev. Asso. to const. Mrs. Jerusha Gaylord L. Member A. H. M. Society,	32 00
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Tabernacle Church and Society,	184 52
Crombie Street,	83 16
<i>Saxmeham</i> , Geo., Ralph Dunning, Esq.	4 00
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<i>Tunston</i> , Spring Street Church and Society, 12,76; do. 18,75;	31 51
West, Ladies' Benevolent Society,	10 00
<i>Templeton</i> , Rev. Mr. Sabin's Society, 21; do. 67,30;	88 30
D. Whitecomb, Esq. for support of Rev. Mr. Adams, Iowa,	276 00
<i>Topsheld</i> , Rev. Mr. Loud's Society,	40 44
<i>Tewksbury</i> , Cong. Church and Society, to const. Dea. Oliver Clark and Dea. James Bailey Life Members,	60 88
<i>Townsend</i> , Rev. Mr. Sheldon's Society,	22 00
<i>Tisbury</i> , Holmes's Hole, Cong. Society, Ladies,	17 00
<i>Usbridge</i> , Rev. Mr. Orcutt's Society, to const. Mrs. Frances L. Orcutt and Miss Amanda Taft Life Members; \$30 from Mr. Eli W. Fletcher, to const. Miss Laura A. Fletcher Life Member A. H. M. Society,	90 00
<i>Walpole</i> , Ladies' Reading Circle,	13 00
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<i>Ladies' Charitable Reading Society,</i>	10 00
<i>South, Rev. Mr. Steele's Society, Monthly Concert, to const. him Life Member,</i>	30 00
<i>Weymouth, Mrs. Rachel Blanchard,</i>	2 00
<i>South, Maternal Association, 2; Female Praying Society, 13,55;</i>	15 55
<i>North, Rev. Mr. Emery's Society,</i>	100 00
<i>Wenham, Rev. Mr. Taylor's Society, to const. Mrs. Polly Dodge and Miss Sally Batchelder Life Members A. H. M. Society,</i>	87 10
<i>Worcester, Ichabod Washburn, Esq.,</i>	125 00
<i>Rev. Mr. Sweetser's Society, \$30 of which to const. Mr. E. H. Sanford Life Member,</i>	245 50
<i>Mrs. Salisbury,</i>	100 00
<i>Miss S. Waldo,</i>	100 00
<i>1st Cong. Society,</i>	86 50
<i>Rev. Mr. Smalley's Society,</i>	75 05
<i>Wrentham, M. Everett, Esq.,</i>	10 00
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<i>Waltham, Female Char. Society, to const. Mr. Joel Abbott Life Member,</i>	30 00
<i>Rev. Mr. Whitney's Society, 33,68; do. 7,35; do. 4,16;</i>	45 19
<i>Wayland, Evan. Cong. Society, with former cont. to const. Mr. Asabel Sherman Life Member,</i>	26 00
<i>West Springfield, Ashley School and Char. Fund, W. Southworth, Esq. Tr.</i>	245 99
<i>Whitinsville, Cong. Society, to const. Dea. Stephen F. and Mrs. Mary A. Batchelder Life Members,</i>	150 00
<i>Winchendon, Congregational Society,</i>	39 95
<i>North, " "</i>	2 00
<i>Westboro', Cong. Society, Monthly Concert, 36,34; do. 33,70;</i>	70 04
<i>A Lady,</i>	4 00
<i>Westminster, Cong. Society, to const. Dea. Aaron Wood, Life Member,</i>	45 00
<i>Wellfleet, Cong. Society, 6,40; do. 18,40;</i>	24 80
<i>Ware, West Parish, 50; Ladies' Char. Society, 15;</i>	65 00
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<i>Warren, Rev. Mr. Smith's Society, coll. 124; Monthly Concert, 2; Mrs. Patrick's S. S. Class, 2,50; Juv. Class, 1;—to const. Dea. Asa Patrick, Mr. John Patrick, Mr. Joel Bliss, and Miss Persis Bliss, Life Members,</i>	129 50
<i>Wendell, Rev. Mr. Dickinson's Society,</i>	8 00
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<i>A Friend, 4; do. 5; do. 4,35; do. 5;</i>	18 35

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<i>Deerfield, Ladies, a box, \$19,50, and \$4,75 for freight,</i>	24 25
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 Sawin, Rev F. P. Harwich  
 Sawyer, Mrs Jeremiah, Newburyport  
 Seabury, P. G. New Bedford  
 Searle, Rev J. Lynnfield  
 Seymour, Rev Henry, Deerfield  
 Shankland, Miss Chloe, Randolph  
 Shaw, G. Enfield  
 Shedd, Miss Mary, Abington

Sheldon, Rev L. Easton  
 Shepard, Calvin, Ashland  
 Shepard, Rev Thomas, Bristol, R. I.  
 Sherman, Asabel, Wayland  
 Sherwin, Edmund P. Buckland  
 \*Shumway, Rev C. Townsend  
 Sikes, Rev Oren, Bedford  
 Sikes, Mrs Julia K. do.  
 Simonds, Alvan, Boston  
 Simonds, Artemas, do.  
 Skinner, Miss Charity, Shelburne  
 Smiley, Francis, Amesbury  
 Smith, Edmund M. Sunderland  
 Smith, Rev Ethan, Hanover  
 Smith, Rev George P. Worcester  
 Smith, Rev M. H. Boston  
 Smith, Mrs M. H. do.  
 Smith, Miss Lucinda, do.  
 \*Smith, Nathaniel, Sunderland  
 Smith, Miss Rebecca, Andover  
 Smith, Rev S. S. Westminister  
 Smith, Mrs Lucretia B. Westminister  
 Smith, Rev T. M. Gambia, O.  
 Smith, Nathaniel, Newburyport  
 Smith, Mrs Eliza, do.  
 Smith, Rev H. B. Amherst  
 Smith, N. A. Sunderland  
 Snell, Thomas, D. D. N. Brookfield  
 Spring, Rev Samuel, East Hartford, Ct.  
 \*Starkweather, E. Williamstown  
 Stearns, Mrs J. F. Newburyport  
 \*Stearns, Rev Samuel, Bedford  
 Stearns, Mrs Abigail, do.  
 Steele, Rev J. M. South Woburn  
 Stevens, Mrs Elizabeth, Stoneham  
 Stevens, Miss Hannah, do.  
 Stockwell, Leonard, Grafton  
 Stone, Albert, do.  
 Stone, Rev Cyrus, Saugus  
 Stone, Luther, East Douglas  
 Stone, Rev Micah, Brookfield  
 Stone, Rev T. D. P. Westboro'  
 Stone, Mrs Phoebe C. do.  
 Storrs, E. S., D. D. Braintree  
 \*Storrs, Mrs E. S. do.  
 Storrs, Mrs Ann, do.  
 Storrs, Rev E. S. Jr., Brooklyn, N. Y.  
 Street, Philo W. West Springfield  
 Strong, Lewis, Northampton  
 Styles, Phineas, Warwick  
 Swan, Mrs Ruth, Dorchester  
 Swallow, Joseph, Dunstable  
 Sweet, Joseph, Shelburne  
 Sweetser, Luke, Amherst  
 Taft, Miss Amanda, Uxbridge  
 Taft, Merrick, Northbridge  
 Tappan, John, Boston  
 Tappan, Rev S. S. Tisbury  
 Taylor, Cyrus, Dunstable  
 Taylor, Isaac, do.  
 \*Taylor, Rev James, Sunderland  
 Taylor, Rev John, Northbridge  
 Taylor, Rev J. Wenham  
 Taylor, Mrs Mary, Manchester  
 Teel, John, Newburyport  
 Tenney, Miss S. G. do.  
 Tenney, Rev Francis V. Braintree  
 Thacher, Rev Tyler, Wrentham  
 Thayer, Mrs Susan, Natick  
 Thomas, Asa, Plymouth  
 \*Thomas, Rev D. Abington  
 Thompson, Rev A. C. Roxbury  
 Thompson, Rev L. South Hadley  
 Thorndike, Mrs Israel, Boston  
 Thurston, Mrs do.  
 Tileston, Rev W. Charlemont  
 \*Tinker, Rev Orasmus, Ashby  
 Tinkham, Jesse, Enfield  
 Titcomb, Miss H. M. Newburyport  
 Titus, Mrs Sally, Westminister  
 Toby, Job T. Rochester  
 Tolman, Rev E. Dennis  
 Tolman, James, Ware Village

Tolman, William E. Dorchester  
 \*Tomlinson, Rev D. Oakham  
 Torrance, Mrs J. Enfield  
 Torrey, Ziba, Attleboro'  
 Tower, Mrs A. D. Cammington  
 Tower, H. L. do.  
 Towne, Salem, Charlton  
 \*Townsend, Rev S. Sherburne  
 Tracy, Rev Hiram, Sutton  
 Tracy, Mrs H. do.  
 Train, Nathaniel, Enfield  
 Trask, Daniel, do.  
 Trask, Charles H. Manchester  
 Tucker, Mrs Catharine, Dorchester  
 Tucker, Mark, D. D. Weathersfield, Ct.  
 Tucker, Mrs Nathan, Milton  
 Tepper, Rev Martyn, Longmeadow  
 Tottle, Thomas S. Littleton  
 Tyler, Mrs Fanny, Attleboro'  
 Tyler, Rev William, Northampton  
 Underwood, Rev G. W. Charlton  
 Upton, Mrs Dorinda F. Buckland  
 Utley, Rev Samuel, N. Marlboro'  
 Valentine, Mrs Joanna C. Cambridge  
 Virgin, Miss Hannah, Boston  
 Vinton, Miss Eliza A. do.  
 Vinton, Josiah, do.  
 \*Voss, Thomas, Boston  
 Wales, Thomas, North Bridgewater  
 Walker, Amasa, North Brookfield  
 Walker, Mrs Hannah, Sturbridge  
 Walker, Rev H. D. Abington  
 Walker, Oramel, Enfield  
 \*Walker, Rev Samuel, Danvers  
 Walley, S. H., Jr. Roxbury  
 Ware, Rev Samuel, Deerfield  
 Ward, Rev James W. Abington  
 \*Ward, Mrs. J. W. do.  
 Ward, Mrs John, Enfield  
 Warner, Mrs S. do.  
 Warren, Jonas, do.  
 Warren, Nathan, Waltham  
 Warren, Mrs Sarah, do.  
 Waters, Rev I. Chesterfield  
 Webb, Mrs Susan, Greenwich  
 Welch, Simeon, Haverhill, North  
 Wetherbee, Josiah, Waltham  
 Wheeler, Mrs E. M. Conway

Wheeler, Rev M. G. Abington  
 Whipple, Charles, Newburyport  
 Whipple, Henry, Salem  
 Whitcomb, David, Templeton  
 Whitcomb, Mrs Margaret, do.  
 \*White, Bailey, Randolph  
 White, Rev Seneca, Marshfield  
 Whitmarsh, Joshua, Abington  
 Whiting, Rev F. L. Gill  
 Whiting, Rev Lyman, Lawrence  
 Whitney, Josiah, Westminster  
 Whitney, Mrs Mary A. Waltham  
 Whitton, Paul, Northbridge  
 Whittemore, Benjamin F. Boston  
 Whittemore, Mrs B. F. do.  
 Whittemore, B. F., Jr. do.  
 Wight, Rev Daniel, Scituate  
 Wilbur, Rev Hervey, Newburyport  
 \*Wilber, Rev John, Marshall, Mich.  
 Wilkinson, Rev E. Abington  
 Williams, Rev A. Dudley  
 Williams, Rev Dillon, Feeding Hills  
 Williams, Joseph, Newburyport  
 \*Williams, Rev S. P. do.  
 Williams, Thomas S. South Woburn  
 Willis, Nathaniel, Boston  
 Williston, Samuel, Easthampton  
 \*Wisner, Benjamin E., D. D. Boston  
 Wood, Dea Aaron, Westminster  
 Wood, B. F. Westminster  
 Wood, Rev C. W. Ashby  
 Wood, Mrs Catharine S. Ashby  
 \*Wood, Mrs E. A. W. do.  
 Wood, Rev Luke, Somers, Ct.  
 Wood, Mrs Folly, Enfield  
 Wood, Mrs Zenas, do.  
 Wood, S. F. Chelmsford  
 Woodbridge, John, D. D. Hadley  
 \*Woodbury, Rev B. Falmouth  
 Woodbury, Rev James T. Acton  
 Woods, Leonard, D. D. Andover  
 \*Worcester, Samuel, D. D. Salem  
 Worcester, Rev S. M., D. D. do.  
 Worcester, Mrs Z. do.  
 Wright, Albert J. Boston  
 Wyman, Marshall, Woburn  
 Yale, Mrs Sarah S. South Reading

## APPENDIX.

## A.

## FOUNDERS OF THE SOCIETY.

THE following is a list of all the names subscribed to the Constitution at the time of its adoption. A few of these had previously been together at the house of Dea. John Simpkins, and agreed upon the general plan of an organization.

David Sanford,	Peter Sanborn,	John Wait,
Daniel Hopkins,	John H. Stevens,	Leonard Woods,
Nathanael Emmons,	Paul Litchfield,	Elijah Parish,
Ezra Weld,	Eli Smith,	Samuel Worcester,
Samuel Niles,	Samuel Mead,	Leonard Worcester,
Samuel Spring,	Eliphalet Gillett,	George Odiorne,
Joseph Barker,	Freegrace Reynolds,	Kendall Kittredge,
John Crane,	Titus T. Barton,	Jedediah Morse,
Samuel Austin,	Jonathan Powers,	Nicholas Pike,
Joshua Spaulding,	David Hardy, Jr.	Calvin Park,
Timothy Dickinson,	Charles Coffin, Jr.	Jonathan Homer,
Jacob Norton,	John Simpkins,	John Greenough.
Jonathan Strong,	Isaac Tompkins,	

To this patriarchal list may be added, with great propriety, the name of *John Punchard*, who was present and took part in the business of the meeting, but was called away before the Constitution was ready for signatures. If any others were there, it is not known who. Of these *thirty-nine* founders of the Society, *five* still remain.

At the same meeting an Address to the public was also prepared and ordered to be printed with the Constitution ; of which the following is the principal part.

*To all, who are desirous of the spread of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.*  
CHRISTIAN BROTHERS,

Wishing that grace, mercy, and peace may be abundantly multiplied unto you, through the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, we take the liberty to announce to you, that, impelled by a deep commiseration for the unhappy state of thousands, who are perishing through lack of those precious means of salvation which we enjoy ; by a recollection of our solemn vows to devote ourselves faithfully to the good of the kingdom of our dear Redeemer ; and by the imitable examples of many others, both in our own country and in Europe, who have nobly stepped forward in the cause of

Zion ; we, a number of ministers and people of Christ, convened in Boston, on Tuesday, May the 28th, in the year of our Lord 1799, for the purpose of attending to our duty in this regard, have deemed it expedient to form into a *Society*, in order to collect and combine our efforts, for the spread of the knowledge of the glorious Gospel of Christ among the poor Heathens, and in those remote parts of our country, in which the inhabitants do not enjoy the benefit of a Christian Ministry, and Christian ordinances.

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Having thus offered ourselves as the Massachusetts Missionary Society to your notice, we take leave to address you on the vastly interesting subject we have in view.

By those who cordially subscribe to the divine authority of the Holy Scriptures, and candidly admit the leading doctrines which they contain, as all real Christians must be supposed to do, it must be conceded, that the whole human race is in a state of apostacy from God, under the curse of his violated law, and exposed to the eternal punishments of his government ; that the glorious Gospel of Christ is the adequate and the only medium of recovering lost sinners to God and happiness ; and that this Gospel must be known, received and obeyed, in order to the security of the unbounded good which it furnisheth to the miserable transgressor ; that the virtue and happiness of mankind are really always in proportion to the influence which the Gospel has upon them ; that it is life from the dead to every believer ; and that that glory of God, with which it is so largely predicted in the Scriptures, that the world shall shortly be filled, will essentially consist in the universal and legitimate influence of this Gospel. On these grounds evidently, the grand commission, which Christ gave to his primitive disciples, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature ; he who believeth and is baptized, shall be saved ; but he who believeth not, shall be damned," was delivered. On these grounds the apostles of the Lord exhibited all that fidelity and zeal, in obedience to this charge, which are related in the New Testament ; and on these grounds, zeal in every believer for the spread of Christianity has an adequate sanction.

With these considerations before your minds ; with the perishing, and therefore very compassionate state of every impenitent sinner ; with your own immense indebtedness to redeeming grace, your solemn covenant vows, your accountability, and your hopes in view, be entreated to cast the eye of attentive observation upon the condition of thousands and millions of our guilty race, in other countries and our own, particularly among the Heathen tribes, and on the frontiers of the United States, forming a vast line of new settlements, peculiarly embarrassed with respect to their religious interests by local circumstances ; and ask, whether, when their danger is so great, when their spiritual wants are so urgent, when there is so much zeal on the part of wickedness, infidelity and atheism, counteracting the gospel, there be not reason for us to put forth every exertion, for the spread of that precious Gospel, which is the grand charter of our eternal inheritance.

Have we not, dear Brethren, been too long and too deeply slumbering, with respect to our duty in this great affair ? What shall we not be willing to do ? What shall we not be willing to sacrifice ? Is not the interest of Christ our interest ? And have we, as his people, any thing to do but to promote it ? May we not, then, hope that our institution will meet with your warmest approbation ; and that we shall have the benefit of your joint co-operations, your influence, your prayers ? Will you become united to our Society ? If this be inconvenient, will you not, as the Lord has furnished you with the means, open the hand of a generous charity, and contribute to the support of the great object before us ? As the state of the world is, the utility of the Society will depend much, very much, upon its pecuniary means. The Society holds itself responsible for the most faithful appropriation of all monies, which may be contributed and forwarded to the Treas-

urer, who will give receipts, and enter such contributions on the accounts of the Society.

In a word, dear Brethren, we would secure your attention, your hearts, your prayers, your influence, your exertions and your pecuniary abilities, to the benevolent object we are pursuing.

That God may incline your hearts to that which is pleasing to himself, and prepare us, with all the redeemed, for his coming and kingdom, is the fervent prayer of your brethren in Christ.

In behalf of the Society,

NATHANAEL EMMONS, *President.*

*Done in Boston, May 28th, 1799.*

*Attest. SAMUEL AUSTIN, Secretary.*

## B.

### OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY.

#### *Presidents.*

Rev. Nathanael Emmons, D. D.	from 1799 to 1812, 13 years.
" Daniel Hopkins, D. D.	" 1812 " 1815, 3 "
" Samuel Spring, D. D.	" 1815 " 1819, 4 "
" Samuel Worcester, D. D.	" 1819 " 1822, 3 "
" Leonard Woods, D. D.	" 1822

#### *Secretaries.*

Rev. Samuel Austin, D. D.	from 1799 to 1807, 8 years.
" Jacob Norton,	" 1807 " 1812, 5 "
" Samuel Worcester, D. D.	" 1812 " 1818, 6 "
" Samuel Walker,	" 1818 " 1826, 8 "
" Brown Emerson, D. D.	" 1826 " 1827, 1 "
" Richard S. Storrs, D. D.	" 1827 " 1839, 12 "
" Joseph S. Clark,	" 1839

#### *Treasurers.*

Dea. John Simpkins,	from 1799 to 1811, 12 years.
Henry Gray, Esq.	" 1811 " 1812, 1 "
Jeremiah Evarts, Esq.	" 1812 " 1822, 10 "
Dea. John Punchard,	" 1822 " 1845, 23 "
Benjamin Perkins, Esq.	" 1845

#### *Trustees.*

Rev. David Sanford,	Rev. Otis Thompson,
" Daniel Hopkins, D. D.	" Samuel Walker,
" Ezra Weld,	" Brown Emerson, D. D.
" Samuel Spring, D. D.	" Warren Fay, D. D.
" Joseph Barker,	John Pearson, Esq.
" Samuel Niles,	Rev. Holland Weeks,
" John Crane, D. D.	" Richard S. Storrs, D. D.
" Samuel Austin, D. D.	" Justin Edwards, D. D.
" Jonathan Strong, D. D.	" Elijah Parish, D. D.
" Abiel Holmes, D. D.	Dea. John Punchard,
" Timothy Dickinson,	Rev. Sylvester Holmes,
" Jedediah Morse, D. D.	Dea. John C. Proctor,
" Jacob Norton,	Rev. Jacob Ide, D. D.
Dea. John Simpkins,	" Calvin Hitchcock, D. D.
" Isaac Warren,	Rev. Samuel Osgood, D. D.
Jeremiah Evarts, Esq.	" Reuben Emerson,
John Jenks,	" John Woodbridge, D. D.
Rev. Edward D. Griffin, D. D.	" Baxter Dickinson, D. D.
Henry Gray, Esq.	Hon. John Hooker,

Rev. John Codman, D. D.	Rev. John Maltby,
“ William Cogswell, D. D.	“ Phinehas Fish,
Israel E. Traak, Esq.	“ Cyrus Mann,
Ebenezer Alden, M. D.	Dea. Daniel Noyes,
Hon. Samuel T. Armstrong,	Rev. George Fisher,
“ William B. Banister,	“ Jonathan Bigelow,
Rev. Thomas Snell, D. D.	“ Nathan Perkins,
“ Luther F. Dimmick, D. D.	“ Samuel Shepard, D. D.
“ John Brown, D. D.	“ Samuel M. Worcester, D. D.
“ Thomas Shepard,	“ John Mitchell,
“ John Todd, D. D.	“ Joseph D. Condit,
Eliphalet Williams, Esq.	“ Absalom Peters, D. D.
Rev. David D. Field, D. D.	“ Augustus C. Thompson,
“ John Nelson, D. D.	“ Henry B. Hooker.
“ Erastus Maltby,	

*Executive Committee.*

(Organized in 1837.)

Rev. John Codman, D. D.	Rev. Brown Emerson, D. D.
“ Richard S. Storrs, D. D.	“ Ebenezer Burgess, D. D.
“ Warren Fay, D. D.	Dea. James Clap,
“ Justin Edwards, D. D.	Benjamin Perkins, Esq.
Dea. John Punchard,	Rev. Joseph S. Clark,
“ John C. Proctor,	“ Augustus C. Thompson,
Rev. Benjamin B. Wisner, D. D.	Dea. James Tufts.
“ Lyman Beecher, D. D.	Rev. George W. Blagden.

## C.

## THE ANNUAL SERMON.

At a meeting of the Trustees, July 15, 1799, “Dr. Emmons, the President, was chosen to preach a Sermon at the next annual meeting of the Society.” This service, which neither the Constitution nor the By-Laws had prescribed, and which was evidently regarded as an expedient for that one occasion, proved so acceptable and appropriate that it was adopted immediately after “as a standing rule of this Society, that a Sermon be preached at each of its annual meetings.” The practice continued down to 1828, when by the terms of union between the Massachusetts Missionary Society and the Domestic Missionary Society of Massachusetts, the Sermon was transferred to the General Association.

*Preachers before the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.*

1800 Rev. Nathanael Emmons, D. D.	1815 Rev. Peter Sanborn,
1801 “ Samuel Niles,	1816 “ Elisha Fiske,
1802 “ Samuel Strong, D. D.	1817 “ Moses Stuart,
1803 “ Samuel Austin, D. D.	1818 “ Ebenezer Porter, D. D.
1804 “ Abiel Holmes, D. D.	1819 “ Reuben Emerson,
1805 “ Paul Litchfield,	1820 “ Brown Emerson,
1806 “ Joseph Barker,	1821 “ Thomas Williams,
1807 “ Elijah Parish, D. D.	1822 “ Samuel Austin, D. D.
1808 “ Jonathan Strong, D. D.	1823 “ John Codman, D. D.
1809 “ Samuel Worcester, D. D.	1824 “ Samuel Walker,
1810 “ Jacob Norton,	1825 “ Richard S. Storrs, D. D.
1811 “ Timothy Dickenson,	1826 “ Daniel Thomas,
1812 “ Leonard Woods, D. D.	1827 “ Calvin Hitchcock, D. D.
1813 “ Joseph Emerson,	1828 “ Jacob Ide, D. D.
1814 “ Otis Thompson,	

The first thirteen sermons were printed at the expense of the Society for distribution among the churches ; and constituted no small part of the missionary literature of the day. Many of the others, too, were printed, and contributed largely to arouse public attention to the claims of Home Missions. But at the annual meeting in 1812, it was "Voted, That from the present year, the practice of printing the annual sermons before the Society, at the Society's expense, be discontinued."

*Preachers on Home Missions before the General Association of Massachusetts.*

1829 Rev. Lyman Beecher, D. D.	1840 Rev. Samuel Backus,
1830 " Freegrace Raynolds,	1841 " Cyrus Mann,
1831 " Thomas Snell, D. D.	1842 " Tertius S. Clark,
1832 " John Todd, D. D.	1843 " Erastus Maltby,
1833 " Daniel Crosby,	1844 " Bela B. Edwards, D. D.
1834 " Richard S. Storrs, D. D.	1845 " J. W. Ward,
1835 " Leonard Withington,	1846 " Orin Fowler,
1836 " William M. Rogers,	1847 " Horace Bushnell, D. D.
1837 " Ebenezer Burgess, D. D.	1848 " Elam Smalley,
1838 " Preacher failed.	1849 " Seth Sweetser.
1839 " H. N. Brinsmade, D. D.	

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D.

THE MISSIONARY MAGAZINE.

Though a magazine was projected at the annual meeting in 1802, and its management intrusted to a strong editorial corps, it did not make its appearance till May, 1803. At first it was printed in Salem, and was chiefly under the care of Dr. Worcester, who had then just come to the Tabernacle. Its object, as set forth in the prospectus, was, conjointly with similar periodicals in America and Europe, "to call into operation those powerful causes, which are necessary to spread the gospel through the world, and to bring on the full glory and final prosperity of the Redeemer's kingdom." The profits of the work inured to the Society. At the close of the fifth volume, namely, in 1808, it was united with the *Panoplist*, a monthly periodical which had then completed its third volume. For nine years the united publication was known as the *Panoplist and Missionary Magazine*. During the first three of these years its title-page told that it was "conducted by an association of friends of evangelical truth; under the patronage of the Massachusetts, Hampshire, Berkshire, Maine, and Rhode Island Missionary Societies." After that time the profits were devoted to Foreign Missions. From 1817 to 1822 it was called the *Panoplist and Missionary Herald*. Then it assumed the name which it now bears—THE MISSIONARY HERALD.

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E.

RELATION OF THE SOCIETY TO FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The following communication from the pen of Dr. S. Worcester, published in the June number of the Massachusetts Missionary Magazine for 1803, as introductory to a monthly series of articles on the operations of this



Society, leaves no room to doubt, that those operations were then regarded as the development of a Foreign Missionary spirit.

After describing the moral state of the world and deploring it, and earnestly testifying against the supineness of Christians for many past ages in regard to this subject, the writer proceeds as follows:—

Lately, however, blessed be God, the scene has been changed. Within the last eight years, Christians have been roused from their slumbers, and, looking round upon the world, their eyes have affected their hearts. Sensible of their former criminal supineness, they have engaged in the work of spreading the gospel with singular resolution and zeal. Societies for this purpose, instituted in Europe, have displayed a spirit of disinterestedness and activity, of enterprise and fortitude, which do honor to the Christian name. Already have they sent missionaries to the East Indies, to different parts of Africa, to the islands of the South Sea, and to other destitute regions; and they appear to be continually extending their views, and redoubling their efforts. Their zeal and exertions have provoked to emulation the friends of the Redeemer in this land. In this country several societies have been formed on the same general principle, and with the same laudable views, of the missionary societies in Europe. These societies, though still in their infancy, as they have already done considerable, have inspired the hope and the confidence, that, by the divine blessing, they will do much, for the spread of the gospel, and for the salvation of precious souls, ready to perish.

Of the number and description of societies now mentioned is the MASSACHUSETTS MISSIONARY SOCIETY. This society was instituted in 1799. At its first meeting, after its formation, May 28th of the same year, the number of its members was only thirty-eight. Small as it was, a little fund was immediately raised by the contribution of its members, and of others; and measures were adopted to carry into effective operation its benevolent design. \* \* \* Then follows a sketch of its early missionary enterprises in the new settlements and among Indian tribes.

To some it may appear strange to find this Society placed in the same category,—as a daughter of the same family,—with the London Missionary Society and other kindred institutions in Europe, that were sending the gospel “to the East Indies, to different parts of Asia, and to the islands of the South Sea.” But the fact is, (and our fathers saw it more clearly than ourselves,) that these “diversities of operations” all proceeded from “one and the self-same Spirit.” They were the development of one and the same feeling in the hearts of Christians. It seems, therefore, hardly proper to speak of either as the offspring of the other, since they all had a common origin; just as the different branches of a tree all proceed from the same trunk, and may be said to have existed there in combination before they were separately developed.

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## F.

### AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

The efficiency of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society depends very much on the systematic action of its Auxiliaries. These are its hands and feet in collecting funds, and its eyes in searching out the wants of feeble churches in their respective limits. Nothing would give a more

healthy and enduring impulse to the cause of Home Missions in this State, than the occupancy of the whole field with such organizations as are found on portions of it. The following are the names of those now existing. The time of their annual meetings, and the months in which collections for this object are usually taken up within their bounds, are annexed to each.

SOCIETIES.	Annual Meeting.	Collections taken.
<i>Berkshire and Columbia Missionary Society,</i>	1st Wed. in Oct.	Sept. and Oct.
<i>Hampshire Missionary Society,</i>	2d Tues. in Oct.	Nov. and Dec.
<i>Hampden Home Missionary Society,</i>	2d Friday in Oct.	Oct. and Nov.
<i>Franklin County Home Missionary Society,</i>	2d Wed. in Oct.	Jan. and Feb.
<i>Soc. for Mut. Assist. of Chhs. of Brookfield Asso.</i>	2d Tues. in June.	Jan. and Feb.
<i>Worcester North Conference,</i>	2d Tues. in June.	Dec. and Jan.
<i>Harmony Conference,</i>	4th Tues. in Apr.	Feb. and Mar.
<i>Middlesex South Conference,</i>	4th Tues. in Oct.	Feb. and Mar.
<i>Relig. Char. Soc. of Middlesex N. and Vicinity,</i>	1st Wed. in Nov.	July and Aug.
<i>Essex North Auxiliary,</i>	2d Tues. in Oct.	June and July.
<i>Essex South Auxiliary,</i>	2d Tues. in June.	June and July.
<i>Norfolk Conference,</i>	4th Wed. in Oct.	Aug. and Sept.
<i>Taunton and Vicinity Conference,</i>	last Tues. in Oct.	April and May.
<i>Old Colony Conference,</i>	last Tues. in Aug.	April and May.
<i>Pilgrim Conference,</i>	4th Tues. in Oct.	April and May.
<i>Barnstable Conference,</i>	2d Tues. in April.	April and May.

Smaller Associations (chiefly female) exist in many of the towns, and annually contribute to the funds of the Society. The following are among the most reliable helpers of this class.

Ashby Ladies' Charitable Society.  
 Ashfield Ladies' Home Missionary Society.  
 Attleborough Female Benevolent Society.  
 Barre Ladies' Benevolent Society.  
 Boxford, West, Female Charitable Society.  
 Bradford Ladies' Benevolent Society.  
 Braintree Female Home Missionary Society.  
 " Union Church Ladies' Benevolent Society.  
 Bridgewater, East, Ladies' Benevolent Society.  
 Brimfield Benevolent Association.  
 Brookline Harvard Sewing Society.  
 Cambridge Shepard Missionary Circle.  
 Dedham Female Domestic Missionary Society.  
 Dorchester Ladies' Home Missionary Society.  
 " Neponset Sewing Circle.  
 " Village Ladies' Home Missionary Society.  
 Enfield Benevolent Society.  
 " Ladies' Sewing Society.  
 Fall River Central Church Young Ladies' Social Circle.  
 Fitchburg Religious Charitable Society.  
 " Ladies' Sewing Circle.  
 " Juvenile Sewing Circle.  
 Franklin Female Charitable Society.  
 Greenwich Ladies' Home Missionary Society.  
 Holland Ladies' Home Missionary Society.  
 Hopkinton Ladies' Missionary Society.  
 Leominster Ladies' Sewing Society.  
 Malden Ladies' Benevolent Society.  
 Medford Ladies' Home Missionary Society.  
 Medway Gentlemen's Missionary Society.  
 Middleton Ladies' Home Missionary Society.  
 Milton Female Missionary Society.  
 Millbury Ladies' Sewing Circle.  
 Natick Benevolent Society.

Newbury Ladies' Home Missionary Society.  
 Newburyport Female Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge.  
 " Female Home Missionary Society of Temple st. Congregation.  
 " Gleaning Circle.  
 " Female Indian Society.  
 Newton, East, Ladies' Home Missionary Society.  
 Plympton Home Missionary Association.  
 Quincy Ladies' Missionary Society.  
 Randolph, 1st Parish, Female Missionary Society.  
 Reading, North, Sewing Circle.  
 Rochester, Centre, Ladies' Home Missionary Society.  
 Sherburne Juvenile Association.  
 Southborough Ladies' Domestic Missionary Society.  
 South Hadley, Falls, Ladies' Benevolent Society.  
 Southwick Ladies' Sewing Circle.  
 Sudbury Ladies' Sewing Society.  
 Sunderland Young Men's Agricultural Society.  
 " Ladies' Dorcas Society.  
 Sutton Ladies' Sewing Society.  
 Stoneham Ladies' Benevolent Society.  
 Stoughton Female Benevolent Association.  
 Stow Ladies' Benevolent Society.  
 Taunton Ladies' Home Missionary Society.  
 " West, Female Benevolent Society.  
 Templeton Ladies' Charitable Reading Society.  
 Walpole Female Reading Society.  
 Wellfleet Missionary Association.  
 Wenham Ladies' Reading Charitable Society.  
 Westborough Ladies' Sewing Circle.  
 West Brookfield Ladies' Benevolent Society.  
 Weymouth, North, Religious Charitable Society.  
 " South, Female Praying Circle.  
 Wilbraham, North, Ladies' Working Society.  
 Woburn Female Charitable Society.  
 " South, Ladies' Charitable Reading Society.  
 Wrentham Female Charitable Missionary Society.

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BRIEF NOTICES OF OTHER HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

It was about three-quarters of a century after the landing of the Pilgrims at Plymouth, before any thing, answering to our present idea of Home Missions, was attempted, or, in fact, needed. Churches were all the while slowly colonizing, as new settlements were rising; but always through a self-sustaining process. It was the affectionate mother, anxiously and laboriously providing for the comfortable settlement in life of her affianced daughter. In the most missionary aspect of the work it was the bestowment of a *minister* upon a new congregation, by some older church that had furnished itself with *two*. In this way an application was answered that came to Boston in 1642, from "certain well disposed people in the upper and newly settled parts of Virginia, bewailing their sad condition for want of the means of salvation, and earnestly entreating a supply of faithful ministers, whom, upon experience of their gifts and godliness, they might call to office." The request was read on "lecture day" in Boston; and after long consultation and prayer, it seemed good to the elders of the churches to recommend two of their number, Rev. Messrs. Knolls of Watertown and

Tompson of Braintree—each of which had a teaching colleague—to go on this mission; and they were accordingly dismissed by their people, and went.\*

A nearer approach to Home Missions was made about the year 1695, when several of the ninety-eight churches then in Massachusetts were found to be destitute of the stated means of grace and unable to procure them;—a circumstance not more distressing to the vacant churches themselves, than it was appalling to the guardians of the Commonwealth. What should be done?—for the observation of Cotton Mather was the observation of all then living in New England; that “the gospel has evidently been the *making* of our towns; and the blessings of the *upper*, have been accompanied with the blessings of the *neither* springs.” In this state of affairs, and with these convictions, we need not wonder that the treasury of the Colony was thrown open for the supply of those wants; especially when we remember that voluntary association for benevolent purposes was a thing unknown. And even were it not so, the chief difficulty which this species of State patronage would encounter now, could not have been felt then, when the entire Colony was composed of only one denomination. In the archives of the State are to be found about fifty applications from feeble parishes, presented to the Legislature between 1695 and 1711; and a record of as many appropriations, amounting in all to nearly £1,000, for their relief in sustaining the ministry. This plan, of course, could not continue.

*The Society for Propagating the Gospel among the Indians and others in North America*, was founded in 1787, and has the honor of being the oldest incorporated Missionary Society in the United States. A number of gentlemen, residing in Boston and its vicinity, that year received a commission from the “Society in Scotland for Promoting Christian Knowledge,” to superintend funds which they had devoted to the purpose of Christianizing the Indians in this country. “This Board of Commissioners, emulous to co-operate with their foreign brethren in a cause so benevolent and honorable to the Christian character, not only as their agents, but also as principals, by raising funds in America for the like purpose, formed themselves into a Society similar to that in Scotland,” and obtained an act of incorporation. At their request the Legislature also granted a *brief* for a contribution in all the Congregational churches throughout the State,—which, however, yielded but \$1,561. A larger sum was soon after obtained by private subscription among the members of the Society. In about sixteen years the fund had increased to \$23,417, and yielded an annual income of \$1,145;—which, since that time, has been expended partly among the Indians in different sections of New England and New York, and partly in new settlements, furnishing missionaries and Bibles, and supporting charity schools.

*The Connecticut Missionary Society*, though not instituted till 1798, “may be said to have existed in fact, though not in form, from 1792;” for the General Association, which at first composed the Society, obtained permis-

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\* Winthrop's Journal, Vol. II. p. 78.

sion that year from the Legislature to raise funds for missionary purposes. Indeed, several missionaries are known to have gone into Vermont and Western New York under the patronage of that body as early as 1788. And there is traditional authority for believing that the "grain of mustard seed" from which this fruitful tree has grown, was a donation of *three dollars*, which a poor but pious woman put into her pastor's hand for a missionary use. Not knowing through what channel to appropriate the gift so as to answer the donor's purpose, he took it with him to the General Association, and sought counsel of his brethren; which resulted in this missionary movement, whose original object was, "to Christianize the heathen in North America, and to support and promote Christian knowledge in the new settlements within the United States."

*The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church* undertook missions to the frontier settlements about the same time. The subject was discussed in 1789, when that body was organized. Two missionaries were sent the next year; and occasionally others were commissioned till 1802, when a "Standing Committee of Missions" was appointed; which in 1816 was enlarged and erected into the present "Board of Missions, acting under the authority of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States." At the time these missions commenced, there were 419 churches under the care of the Assembly, and only 189 settled ministers and licentiate.

*The Berkshire and Columbia Missionary Society* was organized in 1798 for the purpose of "propagating the gospel in the new settlements, and among heathen nations." Its first name was "The Congregational Missionary Society originated in the counties of Berkshire (Mass.) and Columbia (N. Y.);" and for a few years it received about an equal share of patronage from each State. Subsequently most of the New York members became associated with other organizations. When this Society assumed an auxiliary relation to the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, it had expended about \$13,000 in sustaining, on an average, four missionaries per annum, under a commission for three months each—or one minister through the year—besides a generous distribution of books on the missionary fields, and the establishment of nearly twenty "charitable libraries."

*The New Hampshire Missionary Society* was instituted in 1801, for the purpose of "sending missionaries to destitute towns, parishes and societies within this State, and on the borders of the same." Provision was also made for the distribution of religious books. It is now auxiliary to the American Home Missionary Society; and besides supplying the necessities within its own bounds, takes part each year in the work of evangelizing the West.

*The Hampshire Missionary Society* was instituted at Northampton, Mass., in 1802, whose "object and business," as stated in the Constitution, is, "to promote the preaching and propagation of the gospel of Jesus Christ among the inhabitants of the new settlements of the United States, and the abo-

iginal nations of the continent." At first the Society covered the "Old County of Hampshire," from which Hampden and Franklin counties have since been separated, and now sustain their own charitable associations. By obtaining from benevolent individuals "promissory notes with good securities," a permanent fund was early created, which has since been increased by legacies. The income from this fund, together with the annual collections, usually amounts to several thousand dollars a year; which is paid in part to the American Home Missionary Society, and in part to the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, agreeably to the terms on which its present auxiliary connection is based. Previously to 1827, its independent disbursements amounted to \$33,000 for missionary service, and about \$10,000 in the purchase and distribution of Bibles and other religious books. Its missionaries labored chiefly in Western New York, and in Maine,—from four to six men being under commission from three to six months each, on an average, per annum.

*The Massachusetts Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge*, was instituted in 1803, "for the benevolent purpose of promoting evangelical truth and piety; in the first place, by a charitable distribution of religious books and tracts among poor and pious Christians, and also among the inhabitants of new towns and plantations; and secondly, by supporting charity schools and pious missionaries in places where the means of religious instruction are sparingly enjoyed." The first distribution of books was made in 1804. The first missionary was employed in 1811; and during the subsequent ten or fifteen years the resources of the Society, amounting sometimes to \$2,000 per annum, were expended in circulating books, and in helping partially supplied churches to a permanent ministry. These labors were bestowed in various parts of New England, but more especially in New Hampshire. As its original objects are now reached through the Home Missionary and Tract Societies, its present income is small, and is expended in supplying destitute Sabbath schools with libraries.

*The Rhode Island Home Missionary Society* arose about the same time; the *Maine Missionary Society* in 1807; and the *Vermont Domestic Missionary Society* in 1818;—all of them having similar objects, and all now sustaining an auxiliary relation to the AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY, instituted at New York in 1826, and which, with its numerous Auxiliaries last year sustained 1,019 home missionaries in 1,510 missionary fields, scattered through twenty-six different States and Territories. The receipts of the Society for the same year were \$145,925 91.

## RULES, REGULATIONS AND BY-LAWS OF THE MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

"As the object of the Society is to diffuse the knowledge of the Gospel of Jesus Christ among the heathen and others in destitute places," they therefore agree to adopt the following Rules, &c.

**ARTICLE I.** The officers of the Society shall be a President, Vice President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and twenty Trustees, chosen annually by ballot.

II. It shall be the duty of the President to regulate the meetings of the Society, and, *ex-officio*, to act as one of the Board of Trustees; seven of whom shall constitute a quorum for business, at any meeting regularly convened.

III. The Trustees shall, immediately after each Annual Meeting of the Society, appoint an Executive Committee of seven, (including the Secretary and Treasurer,) residing in Boston and its vicinity; four of whom shall be a quorum at any regular meeting. This Committee shall have power to appoint its own meetings, form its own rules of business, fill any vacancy in its own number which may occur during the year, and convene special meetings of the Trustees or Society: they shall examine and appoint Missionaries, and direct them as to their labors;—it being understood that none shall be employed as Missionaries, except those who exhibit credible evidence of experimental piety, and of that Christian zeal, wisdom, information and diligence, which are adequate to the arduous work of Evangelists, in the most self-denying circumstances. This Committee shall also manage and dispose of the Society's property, and transact all the concerns of the Society, not otherwise assigned; and shall make report, at each Annual Meeting, of the labor and success of the Missionaries, and exhibit a particular account of their own transactions.

IV. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to conduct the correspondence of the Society, keep an accurate record of its proceedings, and exhibit them whenever required.

V. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and hold the property of the Society, to answer the orders of the Executive Committee, and to make a report at every Annual Meeting of the Society. He shall also give bonds, from time to time, to such amount as the Executive Committee shall think proper.

VI. Any person may become a Member of this Society by paying two dollars to the Treasurer for the use of the Society; and shall be considered as retaining his membership and obliged to pay two dollars annually, until his desire to discontinue his connection with the Society be expressed to the Treasurer. Any person may become a Life Member of this Society by paying into the treasury thirty dollars at one time.

VII. The Society shall meet at Boston to transact their annual business on the Tuesday preceding the last Wednesday in May, of each year, at ten o'clock, A. M.

A public meeting shall also be held annually in the same city, on the evening of the same day; to be conducted in such manner as the Executive Committee shall direct; and an annual sermon shall be preached at the time and place of the meeting of the General Association of Massachusetts, by some person appointed by said Association, and a collection taken in aid of the funds of the Society. An annual delegation may be sent to the General Association of Massachusetts, on such terms as may be agreed upon by the two bodies.

VIII. These Rules and Regulations shall be subject to any amendments and improvements which this Society shall think proper to adopt; but no amendments shall be adopted, except by the vote of two-thirds of the members present at an annual meeting; nor unless the same shall have been recommended by the Executive Committee.

# CONSTITUTION

## OF THE

### AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

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**ART. 1.** This Society shall be denominated "THE AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY."

**ART. 2.** The object of this Society shall be, to assist congregations that are unable to support the Gospel Ministry, and to send the Gospel to the destitute, within the United States; also, to co-operate with evangelical Christians in the support of Home Missions in nominally Christian countries, to such an extent as the funds of the Institution may justify.

**ART. 3.** The Officers of the Society shall be, a President, Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, an Auditor, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, and fifty Directors, who shall be annually appointed by the Society; and who, together with the Directors for life, shall constitute a Board, seven of whom shall be a quorum, at any meeting regularly convened.

**ART. 4.** The Officers and Directors shall appoint an Executive Committee of thirteen, (including the Treasurer, the Corresponding Secretary, and the Recording Secretary,) residing in the City of New York and its vicinity; five of whom shall be a quorum, at any meeting regularly convened. This Committee shall have power to appoint its own meetings, form its own rules of business, and fill any vacancies in its own number which may occur during the year, and to convene special meetings of the Board or Society; shall appoint Missionaries, and instruct them as to the field and manner of their labors; shall have the disposal of the funds; shall create such agency or agencies for appointing Missionaries, and for other purposes, as the interests of the Institution may require; and shall make an Annual Report of their proceedings to the Society.

**ART. 5.** The Treasurer shall give bonds, annually, to such amount as the Executive Committee shall think proper.

**ART. 6.** Any person may become a member of this Society, by contributing annually to its funds; thirty dollars paid at one time shall constitute a Member for life; and one hundred dollars paid at one time shall constitute a Director for life; and any person, on the payment of a sum, which, in addition to any previous contribution to the funds, shall amount to one hundred dollars, shall be a Director for life. An executor, on paying a legacy of two hundred and fifty dollars to the funds of this Society, shall be a Member for life; and the payment of a legacy of one thousand dollars shall constitute him a Director for life.

**ART. 7.** Any Missionary Society may become auxiliary, by agreeing to pay into the Treasury of this Society the whole of its surplus funds, and sending to the Corresponding Secretary a copy of its Constitution and Annual Reports, mentioning the names of its Missionaries, and the fields of their operations.

**ART. 8.** Every Auxiliary Society which shall agree to pay the whole of its funds to this Society, shall be entitled to a Missionary or Missionaries, to labor in such field as it may designate; at least to the amount of its contributions; provided such designation be made at the time of payment.

**ART. 9.** The Officers of all Auxiliary Societies shall be ex-officio Directors; and annual contributors to their funds shall be members of the Society.

**ART. 10.** This Society shall meet annually in the City of New York, on the Wednesday next preceding the second Thursday in May.

**ART. 11.** No alteration shall be made in this Constitution, without a vote of two-thirds of the members present, at an annual meeting; nor unless the same shall have been proposed at a previous annual meeting, or recommended by the Executive Committee.



## SYSTEMATIC CONTRIBUTIONS.

THE following plan for systematic contributions in Massachusetts to the various objects of benevolence here specified, was recommended by the General Association of the State, at their meeting in Ipswich, June 24, 1840, and has been extensively adopted by the local Associations and Conferences. The necessity for some uniform system has long been felt, and it is hoped that this will meet the approbation of all.

### 1. BOSTON AND VICINITY.

According to the arrangement made by these churches in 1833.

Foreign Missions, *January*.  
Education Society, *February*.  
City Missions, *April*.  
Sabbath Schools, *June*.  
Home Missions, *September*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *October*.  
Tract Society, *November*.

### 2. ESSEX COUNTY AND ANDOVER ASSOCIATION.

Bible Society, *December and January*.  
Foreign Missions, *February and March*.  
Education Society, *April and May*.  
Home Missions, *June and July*.  
Tract Society, *August and September*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *October*.  
Sabbath School Society, *November*.

### 3. MIDDLESEX UNION AND WOBURN ASSOCIATIONS.

Bible Society, *January and February*.  
Foreign Missions, *March and April*.  
Education Society, *May and June*.  
Home Missions, *July and August*.  
Tract Society, *September and October*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *November*.  
Sabbath School Society, *December*.

### 4. NORFOLK COUNTY AND CONFERENCE, AND MENDON ASSOCIATION.

Bible Society, *February and March*.  
Foreign Missions, *April and May*.  
Education Society, *June and July*.  
Home Missions, *August and September*.  
Tract Society, *October and November*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *December*.  
Sabbath School Society, *January*.

### 5. BERKSHIRE COUNTY.

Bible Society, *March and April*.  
Foreign Missions, *May and June*.  
Education Society, *July and August*.  
Home Missions, *September and October*.  
Tract Society, *November and December*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *January*.  
Sabbath School Society, *February*.

### 6. HAMPDEN COUNTY.

Bible Society, *April and May*.  
Foreign Missions, *June and July*.  
Education Society, *August and September*.  
Home Missions, *October and November*.  
Tract Society, *December and January*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *February*.  
Sabbath School Society, *March*.

### 7. HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.

Bible Society, *May and June*.  
Foreign Missions, *July and August*.  
Education Society, *September and October*.  
Home Missions, *November and December*.  
Tract Society, *January and February*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *March*.  
Sabbath School Society, *April*.

### 8. FRANKLIN COUNTY AND WORCESTER NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Bible Society, *June and July*.  
Foreign Missions, *August and September*.  
Education Society, *October and November*.  
Home Missions, *December and January*.  
Tract Society, *February and March*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *April*.  
Sabbath School Society, *May*.

### 9. WORCESTER CENTRAL AND BROOKFIELD ASSOCIATIONS.

Bible Society, *July and August*.  
Foreign Missions, *September and October*.  
Education Society, *November and December*.  
Home Missions, *January and February*.  
Tract Society, *March and April*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *May*.  
Sabbath School Society, *June*.

### 10. MIDDLESEX SOUTH AND HARMONY CONFERENCES.

Bible Society, *August and September*.  
Foreign Missions, *October and November*.  
Education Society, *December and January*.  
Home Missions, *February and March*.  
Tract Society, *April and May*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *June*.  
Sabbath School Society, *July*.

### 11. TAUNTON AND VICINITY AND OLD COLONY CONFERENCES.

Bible Society, *September and October*.  
Foreign Missions, *November and December*.  
Education Society, *January and February*.  
Home Missions, *March and April*.  
Tract Society, *May and June*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *July*.  
Sabbath School Society, *August*.

### 12. PILGRIM AND BARNSTABLE CONFERENCES.

Bible Society, *October and November*.  
Foreign Missions, *December and January*.  
Education Society, *February and March*.  
Home Missions, *April and May*.  
Tract Society, *June and July*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *August*.  
Sabbath School Society, *September*.



### AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

It is respectfully requested, that when auxiliary societies are formed, information may be given immediately to the Secretary, with the names and residences of the officers of such societies—and a copy of the constitution and the names of the towns or parishes (if more than one) included within their limits.

It is also requested, that they report progress once a year—immediately after their annual meeting—or before the first of May. The grounds for these requests are :

1. That the Executive Committee may know how much ground is covered in the State by auxiliaries—and how much is unorganized.
2. That they may know with whom to correspond officially—and make arrangements for delegations to the annual meetings of auxiliaries.
3. That they may forward the Annual Reports of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, and of the American Home Missionary Society to the several auxiliaries—and also the "Home Missionary and Journal," to each association contributing ten dollars or more annually to the funds of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

*Unless special directions be given to the contrary, these publications forwarded by mail.*

### APPLICATIONS FOR AID.

It is expected that any feeble congregation desiring aid in spreading the gospel, will regard the following particulars in their application :

1. The number of members in the church.
2. The number of families or polls in the society.
3. The whole population of the town or parish.
4. The number usually attending public worship, or the number that may be expected to attend.
5. The amount of property belonging to members of the society, as shown on the State bill, or town valuation.
6. The amount supposed necessary for a minister's support.
7. The mode of collection—whether by tax or voluntary subscription.
8. The utmost amount that can be secured for the object, within the limits of the society.
9. The least amount that must be derived from other sources.
10. The probable length of time for which charitable aid will be needed.

A written statement on these topics, signed by a committee of the church or society, is required, and the correctness of the statement is to be verified by two or three neighboring ministers, who are expected to sign and to certify that in their opinion the request for assistance ought to be granted.

### FORM OF A BEQUEST TO THE MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

I give unto the Treasurer of the "Massachusetts Home Missionary Society," the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ dollars, for the purposes of said Society, and for which the receipt of such Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge.

Some important legacies have been lost to the cause of Home Missions through inattention to the legal name of the Society, to which they were given.

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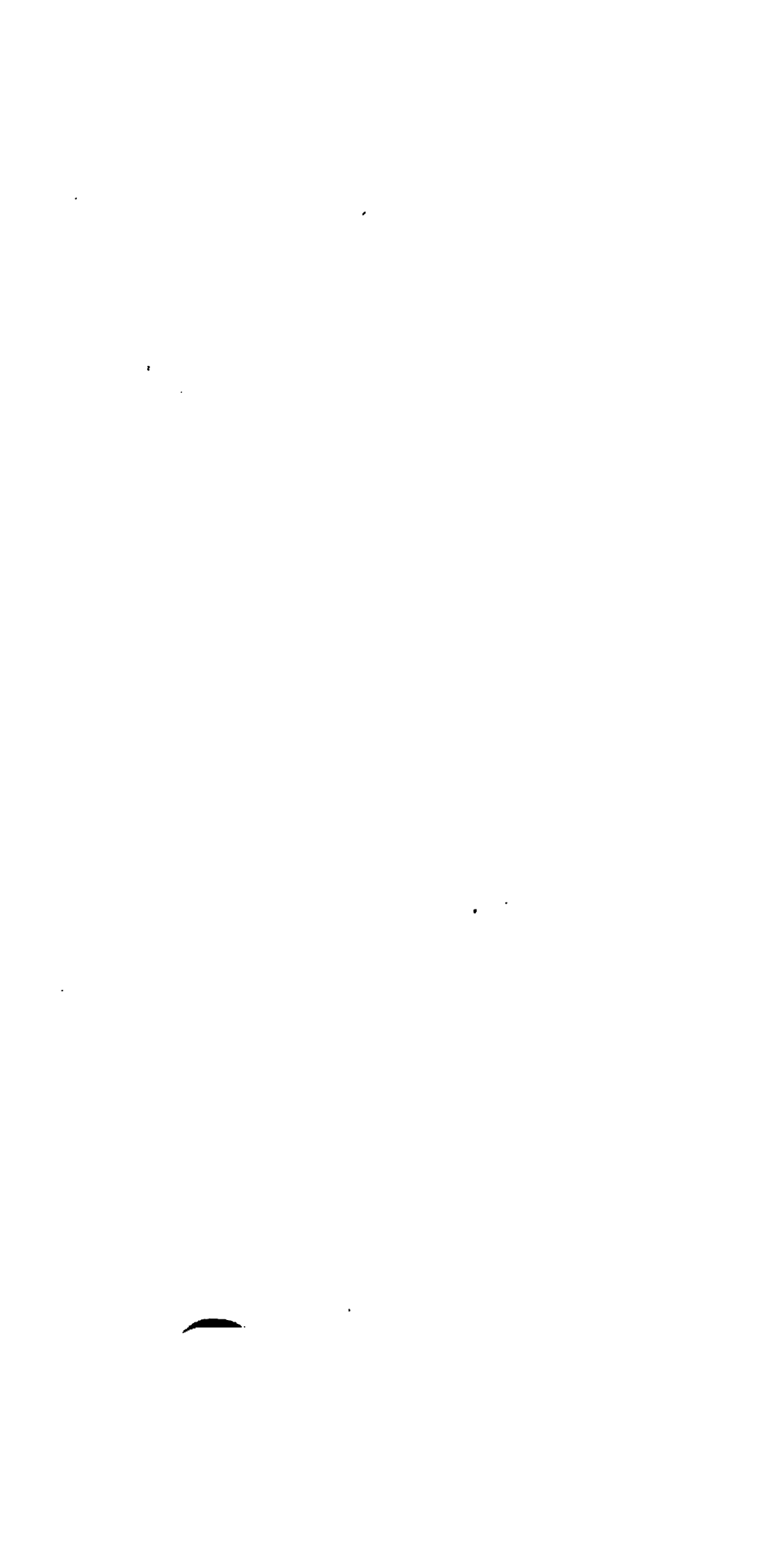
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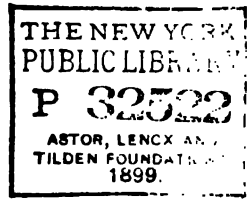
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**FIFTY-FIRST**



# **ANNUAL REPORT**

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**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,**

**AT THE**

**ANNIVERSARY MEETING IN BOSTON, MAY 28, 1850.**



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## NOTICES.

ALL communications intended for the Executive Committee, and any correspondence relating to the general interests of the Society, may be addressed to Rev. JOSEPH S. CLARK, Secretary, No. 28 Cornhill, Boston.

All remittances of money, and whatever communications relate to the pecuniary concerns of the Board, may be made to BENJAMIN PERKINS, Esq., Treasurer, No. 100 Washington Street, Boston.

Persons, in any part of the State, wishing to become Life Members or Life Directors of the American Home Missionary Society—or to make donations in any form to its funds, can transmit their donations through the treasury of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

Life Membership in the American Home Missionary Society, is *thirty dollars*.

Life Directorship in the do. do. is *one hundred dollars*.

Life Membership in the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, is *thirty dollars*.

[ ] The Secretaries of Auxiliary Societies, are earnestly requested to forward copies of their Annual Reports, without delay, to the Secretary of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, No. 28 Cornhill, Boston. Also to furnish a list of the Officers chosen at each annual meeting. Compliance with these requests will enable the Committee of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society to furnish, in connection with their Annual Report, a satisfactory account of the state and progress of each Auxiliary.

**THE HOME MISSIONARY** is published monthly by the American Home Missionary Society, 150 Nassau Street, New York. It is also distributed from the office of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, 28 Cornhill, Boston, for the accommodation of subscribers and others entitled to it, who reside in this State. Terms, *one dollar per annum*, in advance.

[ ] It is sent gratuitously to Life Members, Missionaries, and Auxiliary Associations of either Society; to all pastors whose congregations contribute any sum annually to either treasury; to all persons who serve as collectors; and to each donor of \$10 annually who signifies a wish to receive it. Application may be made either to the Treasurer on the payment of donations, or to the Secretary, who is Agent for the distribution of the Home Missionary in Massachusetts.

**STANDING RULE.**—The Missionary who makes his Reports to the Secretary of the Society *quarterly*, shall be entitled to quarterly drafts on the Treasury. Those who report *semi-annually*, shall be entitled to semi-annual drafts. Those who fail to render an *Annual Report on or before the first day of APRIL*, shall thereby forfeit the patronage of the Society, unless a sufficient excuse be rendered. In the Annual Report, definite answers to the following questions are required.

1. What is the number of rateable polls—also families—in your society?
2. What is the amount of your Society's valuation on the town assessor's book?
3. What proportion of it is in the hands of church members?
4. What aid do you receive from persons not connected with your society?
5. What productive funds has your society?
6. What is your stipulated salary?
7. How is it raised—by tax or subscription?
8. Is it punctually paid?
9. What is the average number in your Sabbath congregations?
10. What is the number of your church members—male—female?
11. What additions to the church during the year ending April 1st—by profession—by letter?
12. What the number of baptisms—adult—infant?
13. How many hopeful conversions have occurred?
14. What is the number in your Sabbath school and Bible class?
15. What progress has been made in temperance?
16. What is the amount of contributions to the Mass. Home Missionary Society?
17. What the amount contributed to all other religious charities?
18. What special encouragements or discouragements have you in your labors?

[In answering these inquiries, it will only be necessary to refer to their numerical designation, without transcribing them.]

## ANNUAL MEETING.

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Boston, May 28, 1850.

THE Massachusetts Home Missionary Society held their Fifty-first Annual Meeting this day, at 10 o'clock, A. M., in the Secretary's office.

The President, Rev. LEONARD WOODS, D. D., opened the meeting with prayer, and Rev. ERASTUS MALTBY was chosen Scribe.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary.

The Treasurer's Report was read, by B. PERKINS, Esq., and was accepted.

*Voted*, That the Report of the Executive Committee be deferred till the public meeting this evening, and that an abstract of the same be then read by the Secretary.

Rev. Messrs. S. HARDING, W. A. STEARNS and G. W. BOURNE, were appointed a Committee of nomination, who reported the following list of officers for the ensuing year, which was unanimously adopted, and they were chosen. (See next page.)

*Voted*, That Rev. ERASTUS MALTBY and the Secretary be appointed Delegates from this Society, to attend the next meeting of the General Association of Massachusetts.

*Voted*, To adjourn to meet in the Tremont Temple this evening at 7½ o'clock, for the purpose of attending the public exercises of the Anniversary.

ERASTUS MALTBY, Scribe.

### PUBLIC MEETING.

At 7½ o'clock, P. M., the services of the evening were opened with prayer by Rev. BENJAMIN TAPPAN, D. D., Secretary of the Maine Missionary Society.

An Abstract of the Fifty-first Annual Report was read by Rev. J. S. CLARK, the Secretary.

In place of the customary Resolutions and Addresses on that occasion, a sermon was preached by Rev. WILLIAM M. ROGERS, of the Central Church, Boston, on Psalm cxii. 6,—“*Pray for the peace of Jerusalem; they shall prosper that love thee;*” which held the immense audience in fixed attention through the remainder of the evening.

The interest of the occasion was heightened by the singing of appropriate Psalms and Hymns, in which the whole congregation joined, under the direction of Mr. J. C. JOHNSON.



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## ANNUAL REPORT.

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THE FIFTY-FIRST year of the MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY, which expires with this evening, has taken suddenly from our side the Hon. SAMUEL T. ARMSTRONG, who had been a member of the Society from its early days, and one of its Vice Presidents for the last sixteen years. But the same voice from heaven which thus utters the needed admonition, "Do with thy might whatsoever thy hand findeth to do," also renews the assurance, that our "labor is not in vain in the Lord."

An enlarged liberality among the friends of home missions; a perceptible advance in most of our feeble churches; and the revival of religion in some of them; together with cheering tokens of successful labor on the broad field beyond the limits of our own little State;—these are the topics which divine Providence furnishes the Executive Committee for their FIFTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT.

### The Treasury.

At the opening of the year there was a balance on hand of \$1,543 93. The subsequent receipts have amounted to \$30,885 32. The expenditures for the same period have been, \$7,030 paid to missionaries in Massachusetts; \$1,085 57 for defraying that portion of incidental expense which, by agreement with the Parent Society, pertains to this Auxiliary; and \$23,000 remitted to the general Treasury at New York. In addition to this last named sum, \$8,677 96 have been paid by sundry individuals and congregations directly to that Society, without passing through the Treasury of this. The whole amount, therefore, realized to the cause of Home Missions from its friends in Massachusetts, is \$39,563 28—of which \$31,677 96 have

been disbursed through the American Home Missionary Society on distant and more destitute parts of the field.

As compared with former years, the receipts of the past, and also the disbursements out of the State, are larger than the Society has ever before been able to report ; though the increase bears no proportion to the increased demand which Providence meanwhile has laid upon us.

A careful analysis of the donations discloses the following facts, which to many minds will be found interesting and suggestive.

1. The amount derived from congregational or parish collections, is \$21,350 07 ; from legacies, \$6,930 33 ; from individual donors, \$4,651 47 ; from ladies' associations, \$4,472 50 ; from monthly concert collections, \$699 74 ; and from all other sources, including income from permanent fund, \$1,459 17. From this it appears that the Society is dependent, for the means of carrying forward its operations, mainly on those systematic contributions that are taken up annually in the congregation or from house to house through the parish. They amount to about three-fifths of the entire income.

2. The number of churches and congregations from which these collections have come during the past year, is 280,—from which it appears that about 170, or more than one-third of the churches in our fraternity, “ came not to the help of the Lord, to the help of the Lord against the mighty.” Whether this is a larger or a smaller proportion than common, we have no means of determining. But this is a fact, namely, that if these 170 churches had stood in their lot with the others, and contributed in like proportion, the home missionary resources of the year would have been \$12,240 more than is now reported. And the Committee earnestly wish that this awakening fact might come to the remembrance of pastors and people, when some trivial circumstance is likely to forestall and prevent their annual collection.

3. The mothers and daughters of Massachusetts are becoming more efficient helpers each year in the cause of home missions. About seventy Female Benevolent Societies have made donations to the Treasury, of all sums from five dollars to two hundred dollars ; while individuals among them have presented offerings varying from fifty cents to five hundred dollars. The amount derived, in both these ways, from their beneficence, (including their proportion of the legacies,) is \$6,231 54, besides fifty-five boxes of clothing, forwarded from Boston and New York, for the use of home missionary families in the West, valued at

\$2,160, not included in the Treasurer's account. There are many parishes, in our State, where an agent of this Society, in addressing the congregation, might find an appropriate text in Phil. iv. 3, "Help those women which labored with me in the gospel"; for there are many in which theirs is the only reliable effort for an annual donation.

4. The proportion of *unsolicited* donations that have come into the Treasury during the past year, is larger than ever before. The Committee regard this, on the whole, as the best indication they have found of a healthy interest in home missions. It shows the existence of Christian principle, and marks its growth. It inspires the hope of seeing the spirit of apostolic benevolence once more revive, and that golden age of systematic charity return, when, instead of pleading with the churches *to give*, the churches will be "praying us with much entreaty *that we would receive the gift*, and take upon us the fellowship of the ministering to the saints."

5. Among the receipts of the year are found about \$6,000 which came from churches and congregations once dependent on this Society for support. If the other great objects of Christian benevolence have received from them in the same proportion—and this appears to be the fact so far as the investigation has been carried—then the *economy* of Home Missions needs no vindication; for the aggregate of their contributions to all these objects will not vary much from \$24,000; which is just about equivalent to a *twelve per cent. annual income* from all the funds that have ever been expended by this Society in Massachusetts.

### Tabular View.

The following table shows the name and location of each missionary, the date and amount of the last appropriation, the average attendance on public worship, the number of members in the church, the additions during the year, hopeful conversions, infant baptisms, pupils in the Sabbath school, and contributions to objects of Christian benevolence. On the opposite page, against the corresponding number, will be found such additional remarks as may help to illustrate the past history, present condition, and future prospects of each missionary field in the State; together with the number of years that this Society has afforded aid.

Churches and Missionaries.	Date of Commission.	Length of com.	Dollars approp'd.	Average cong'n.	Church members.	Added by prof.	Added by letter.	Reported conv.	Infants baptized.	Sab. sch. & B. cl.	Contrib. to Home Missions.	Contrib. to other objects.
1. ADAMS, South. Rev. J. J. Dana, P.	April 1, 1849	12	150	150	54					115	22 00	
2. ALFORD. Rev. A. L. Crandall, s. s.	May 1, 1849	12	100	80	19					30		3 00
3. ASHBURNHAM, North. Rev. A. A. Whitmore, P.	June 1, 1849	12	100	90	57		35		60			
4. BARNSTABLE, West. Rev. Alogzo Hayes, P.	Oct. 1, 1848	12	50	150	67	1		1	80	14 15	50 12	
5. BEVERLY, 4th Parish. Rev. Allen Gannett, P.	Aug. 1, 1849	12	100	80	99	3			50	14 00	56 00	
6. BILLERICA. Rev. J. G. D. Stearns, P.	April 1, 1849	12	100	85	55	1	2	1	1	50	15 00	29 00
7. BLACKSTONE, Millsville. Rev. Willard Holbrook, P.	May 1, 1849	12	100	75	40							
8. BOSTON, German Evangelical. Rev. Louis B. Schwarz, P.	Nov. 17, 1849	12	150	200	75	5	2	5	34	80	25 00	120 00
9. BURLINGTON. Rev. H. G. Park, P.	May 14, 1849	12	150	325	50	3	1	3	70			
10. CAMBRIDGE, East. Rev. F. T. Perkins, P.	Jan. 1, 1850	12	100	300	66	6	2	6	4	120		197 00
11. CANTON. Rev. Thomas Kidder, s. s.	July 1, 1849	12	100	100	94	1			50		13 22	
12. CARLISLE. Rev. S. W. Banister, P.	April 1, 1849	12	125	100	51	1	1	2	50	17 00	60 00	
13. CHESTER, Fecteria. Rev. Dillon Williams, s. s.	May 23, 1849	12	100	75	39	6		1	35	17 00	36 00	
14. CHESTER, Village. Rev. P. K. Clark, s. s.	May 23, 1849	12	100	130	46	4	10	3	2	60	17 30	120 51
15. DANA, Storrsville. Rev. John Keep, P.	Jan. 1, 1850	12	150	100	42	3	1	4	114	13 00	30 00	
16. DOUGLAS. Rev. David Holman, s. s.	April 14, 1849	12	150	90	42				55		1 32	
17. DOVER. Rev. O. W. Cooley, P.	June 20, 1849	12	150	68	30		1		40	14 50	21 47	
18. EASTHAM. Rev. Charles Boyter, s. s.	Nov. 2, 1849	12	50	100	40				60	15 00	14 00	
19. ERVING. Rev. J. H. Stratton, s. s.	Feb. 1, 1850	12	150	75	21							
20. GILL. Rev. William Miller, P.	June 22, 1849	12	100	125	41	1	5	1	80	14 17	34 45	
21. GLOUCESTER, Annisquam. Rev. David Tilton, P.	Sept. 12, 1849	12	175	125	39		2	2	40	10 00	15 00	
22. GLOUCESTER, West. Rev. L. Wheaton, s. s.	July 16, 1849	12	175	100	44				60			
23. HAVERHILL, East. Rev. Wales Lewis, P.	May 28, 1849	12	150	110	23				50	22 00	15 05	
24. HAWLEY, West. Rev. John Eastman, P.	Nov. 1, 1849	12	75	150	61	2	3	1	2	80	28 00	25 00
25. HINGHAM. Rev. E. P. Dyer, P.	Sept. 15, 1849	12	200	150	17	1	1	3	00			

## REMARKS.

1. A thrifty manufacturing village. The church was organized in 1840 with 7 memba. amid great discouragements, but through them all has risen, "not by might, nor by power, but by the Spirit of the Lord," into a condition scarcely requiring missionary aid. No report the past year.
2. The first ch. gathered in 1729, was scattered by the "Shays' Rebellion." After lying desolate more than 50 yrs. the ruins were rebuilt in 1846 under the auspices of the B. & C. M. Soc. The cong. is composed of a sparse, farming populat'n, and can never be large. No apparent prog. during the yr.
3. The church was planted in 1843 among a manufacturing population on the borders of the town; was received under missionary patronage in 1847; settled a pastor in 1848; and has been visited with a refreshing from on high during the past winter.
4. In 1616 this ch. was org'd in London, from whence it removed to Scituate, on these shores, in 1634, and to Barnstable in 1639. After a vigorous life of more than 200 years, it fell into a decline, and was rec'd under the care of this Soc. in 1845. It has relinquished its dependence during the year.
5. This field has been under missionary culture 18 years—much of the time without any visible improvement. The prospect now brightens, and every day inspires fresh hope of soon seeing the ministry of the word sustained here without charitable aid.
6. For 30 years the Miss'y Soc. has stood by this feeble band in its arduous struggle for the faith—sometimes in much fear for the result. The past year has developed new energy on their part, and revived the expectations of Zion's friends and theirs. Meeting-house repaired.
7. Great fluctuations have marked the history of this enterprise during the 24 years since it was first undertaken as a missionary work, in "S. Mendon." One year ago it was apparently near its completion. Now the church is without a minister, and the sanctuary shut.
8. This congregation has been under the patronage of the Soc. 19 years out of the 14 since it was gathered. A distaste for experimental piety on the part of many Protestant Germans in the city, and the constant emigration of others to the West, retard the progress of this enterprise.
9. After the ministry of the word had been sustained in this town for more than 100 yrs. it suddenly ceased, in 1843, and the meeting-house was closed. To relieve what seemed a temporary necessity, an app'n was granted, which, by reason of new necessities, has been repeated each year since.
10. The eighth year since the ch. was formed has commenced; which will probably be the last of its dependence on this Soc. It has incr'd fr. 94 mem. to 66; and the cong. is prop'ly enlarged. It is an import. enterpr., and a divine hand has been visible in sustain'g it. A debt is the only discouragement.
11. Twenty yrs. of miss. lab. have been given to this field, with comparatively small ret'n. Worldly enterprise and spiritual apathy present a sad contrast. The hopes of the Ex. Com., long deferred, had nearly expired, when a recent movement of the ch. decided them to try a little longer.
12. The ch. was planted in 1781; seceded from the parish in 1839; and has ever since been dependent on the M. Soc. The past year's history shows an advance in Christian enterprise, which promises more advantage to this long-assisted flock than the funds of charity can give.
13. The past is the first year that this ch. has had the entire labors of a minister. Some embarrassment has been experienced in occupying a unten meeting-house; and an effort is being made to purchase the shares held by other denominations. Much depends on the result. Ch. organized in 1844.
14. This and the last named ch. (6 miles apart on the R. R.) were both under the care of Mr. C. till last May. Notwithstanding the increased burden of building a meeting-house and sustaining the minister through the year, their charities have increased. The ch. was org'd in 1846 in a manuf'g vill.
15. A ch. of slow but constant and healthy growth—planted in 1836, and aided ever since. A considerable part of the congregation resides in Dana Centre. Increased attention to religion during the past year has greatly cheered the pastor in his arduous labors, and inspired the ch. with fresh hope.
16. Having "held forth the word of life" nearly 100 yrs., the ch. at length became a prey to internal discord, which, with other lesser evils, so weakened its strength, that help from without was needed to preserve its existence. Peace is again restored, but not strength. Has been aided two years.
17. This feeble flock, scattered over a small agricultural town, can never be large in number. But they may be strong in moral power and in ministerial support; and the elements of this power have been more fully developed the past year than in either of the 7 since its connection with this Society.
18. Thro' a slow process of decay this ancient ch.—founded in 1646—was reduced to a state of dependence on the Miss. Soc. in 1838. Its decline is not yet arrested; and unless the firmness and self-denial of its Puritan founders shall revive, it must at length be absorbed in other denominations.
19. Missionary culture has been bestowed on this field at intervals since 1828. The ch. was gath'd in 1832, and a meeting-house built in 1842. A small number have borne the burden hitherto. The town lies on Miller's river, wedged in between high hills, and the principal vill. is rapidly increasing.
20. The ch. was gathered in 1793, and has been aided 6 yrs. at different periods. A final approp'n was made last June. There has never been a lack of pecuniary ability to support the gospel; but dissension has rendered it unavailable. There is now a better spirit, a new meet'g-hou. and a settled pastor.
21. Large approp'ns have been granted to this parish every year since '36, and are still solicited, tho' there has been an evident increase of strength. This feeling of poverty, it is believed, comes of "withholding more than is meet," and cannot be remedied by charity. We regret to learn the pastor has left.
22. Help has been afforded to this parish, at intervals, since 1820. The ch. was reorg'd in '34. For the last few years doubts have arisen as to the issue of the experiment. The late settle'm't of a pastor and a more spirited movement in the ch. have induced the Comm. to prolong the experiment.
23. After receiving aid 5 yrs. this parish attained the condition of self-support in 1842. It is again, by advice of neighboring pastors, taken under miss. patronage, tho' with a distinct understanding that it is for a short and definite period. Mr. L. was installed in July. The ch. was organized in 1743.
24. This ch. has been aided by the Soc. most of the time since 1830; and has been steadily though slowly advancing towards the state of independence. A new meeting-house has been built and a pastor settled within a few years, and the necessity for help has nearly ceased.
25. This is but the 3d year since an Evang'l ministry, of the Cong. order, was restored to this once Puritan town; and already an org'd ch. and soc., a commodious meet'g-house, an efficient pastor and a flourishing S. S. proclaim a triumph achieved, in the re-establishment of "the faith once deliver'd," &c.

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25. HOLLAND. Rev. Benjamin Ober, <i>s. s.</i>	April 1, 1849	12	150	100	44	4		3	5	50	10 00	23 00
27. HOLYOKE. Rev. A. C. Pierce, <i>s. s.</i>	June 1, 1849	12	200	175	31			1	2	50	13 00	25 00
28. IPSWICH, <i>Linebrook.</i> Rev. E. Birchard, <i>s. s.</i>	Mar. 7, 1850	12	150	100	44			25	10	80	12 00	34 00
29. KINGSTON. Rev. Joseph Peckham, <i>P.</i>	Sept. 8, 1849	12	100	135	81	1	3	1		60	40 00	60 00
30. LANCASTER. Rev. Charles Packard, <i>P.</i>	Jan. 1, 1850	12	125	125	63	1	1	6		100	24 49	101 64
31. LITTLETON. Rev. James M. Bacon, <i>P.</i>	June 2, 1849	12	125	65	40	1	1		1	60	10 43	78 00
32. LYNN, <i>Swampscott.</i> Rev. J. B. Clark, <i>s. s.</i>	April 15, 1849	12	150	200	36					100		
33. MALDEN, <i>Melrose.</i> Rev. Stillman Pratt, <i>P.</i>	July 23, 1849	12	200	95	20		3			40	8 60	
34. MALDEN, <i>South.</i> Rev. F. G. Pratt, <i>P.</i>	Aug. 19, 1849	12	200	200	37	4	6	10		150	10 00	12 00
35. MARSHFIELD, <i>North.</i> Rev. D. D. Tappan, <i>P.</i>	Jan. 1, 1850	12	100	100	39				3	65	15 67	43 59
36. MENDON. Rev. C. Chamberlain, <i>s. s.</i>	April 1, 1849	12	100	125	50					73	6 00	8 50
37. MILTON, <i>Railway Village.</i> Rev. S. W. Cozzens, <i>s. s.</i>	Dec. 9, 1849	12	100	120	34	1	2	2	2	80	45 00	
38. MONTGOMERY. Rev. Hervey Smith, <i>s. s.</i>	May 13, 1849	6	100		35					40		
39. NEW SALEM. Rev. W. H. Hayward, <i>P.</i>	Nov. 1, 1849	12	175	85	24		3		1	45		13 00
40. NORTH CHELSEA. Rev. Isaac Wethrell, <i>P.</i>	July 1, 1849	12	200	110	24		1	1	3	75	15 00	14 00
41. ORANGE, <i>North.</i> Rev. S. D. Darling, <i>s. s.</i>	April 20, 1849	12	200		22	4	2	2		30		
42. ORANGE, <i>South.</i> Rev. M. B. Angier, <i>s. s.</i>	Oct. 29, 1849	12	200	200	41	2	19	3		157		30 00
43. PELHAM. Rev. A. C. Page, <i>P.</i>	Nov. 16, 1849	12	175	100	38					80	7 00	9 00
44. ROCHESTER, <i>North.</i> Rev. Isaac Briggs, <i>P.</i>	July 1, 1849	12	50	65	29					30	30 00	15 00
45. ROWE. Rev. B. F. Clarke, <i>P.</i>	Sept. 12, 1849	12	150	30	29					30	54 85	125 35
46. SAGOLS. Rev. Cyrus Stone, <i>s. s.</i>	Dec. 1, 1848	12	150		22					40		
47. SHUTESBURY. Rev. Ezra Newton, <i>P.</i>	Jan. 1, 1850	12	175	100	55	2				75	17 00	
48. STOCKBRIDGE, <i>Curtisville.</i> Rev. W. H. Phelps, <i>P.</i>	Jan. 1, 1850	12	100	170	63		5	1	1	80	30 00	46 00
49. TISCHNY, <i>Holmes' Hole.</i> Rev. William Fyvie, <i>s. s.</i>	Jan. 1, 1850	12	150	75	21	1			2	40	21 00	
50. WARWICK. Rev. R. C. Hatch, <i>P.</i>	Dec. 23, 1849	12	125	70	57	2		3	2	60	34 00	67 00

## REMARKS.

26. Twenty years of miss'y culture had been bestowed on this field, when in 1844 the ch. and soc. found themselves able to support the gospel without aid. Recently the disaffection of some, and the apathy of others, have again brought them into dependence on charity. Future developments doubtful.

27. This is the name recently given to the "New City" on the Ct. river. Among the 3,000 or 4,000 souls already gathered in this rival to Lawrence and Lowell, a Cong. ch. of about 30 mem. was org'd during the past year, but they cannot as yet sustain a minister without missionary aid.

28. This church—100 years old—has not for a long time enjoyed the labors of a *resident* ministry, till the last year; and there has been a corresponding thriftlessness. Amid many tokens of a change for the better since Mr. B.'s labors began, the Lord has revived his work.

29. By a slow process this ch. has been steadily rising, during all the 20 years of its connection with the Miss. Soc. The long-deferred day of its independence is doubtless near; and its benevolent spirit even now proclaims that it will be an efficient coadjutor then.

30. During the 10 years since this ch. was org'd it has sent off a flourishing colony in a neighboring village, besides losing many valuable members by death and emigration; yet it has constantly increased in strength and moral power, and is now enjoying some special tokens of the divine favor.

31. Mr. B. has been constrained to leave, on account of ill health—the second pastor that this feeble ch. has reluctantly surrendered in its short career of 9 years. The discouraged flock are hereby called to strengthen their trust in God only, and to rely less on man.

32. In circumstances peculiarly unpromising this enterprise was undertaken five years ago. Now there is an organized ch., a beautiful sanctuary, a respectable congregation and a large Sab. school. A somewhat deeper *persona*, responsibility, and a settled pastor, are greatly needed.

33. An infant ch., planted in a new and thriving village. A meeting-house has been built during the year, and nearly paid for, and a pastor settled. Every aspect of the enterprise is hopeful, and even the heavy burden which the few founders have had to bear, is but fitting them for greater service.

34. This is located at the opposite extremity of the town from the last named. The ch. was org'd in 1847, but has had assistance only one year,—during which a pastor has been ordained. In addition to other encouraging tokens, God has poured out his Spirit and converted some souls.

35. By "patient continuance in well doing," this ch. has slowly risen, during the 16 years of its separate existence, from a point of extreme weakness, *almost* to the condition of self-support; and has again secured in that community a respect for those Puritan doctrines preached there 100 yrs. ago.

36. The Miss. Soc. has been laboring these 20 yrs.—much of the time without any apparent success—to restore the faith and order which were established with the organ'n of the lat. ch. in 1867; and were about to abandon the work, when judicious friends advised to continue it one year more.

37. During the 7 years of miss. aid bestowed on this field, the ch. and soc., having passed through various scenes, prosperous and adverse, have reached a stable condition. Nothing should now deter them from settling and sustaining a pastor. The population are chiefly industrious mechanics.

38. Situated on an almost inaccessible mountain, the population of this town can never be large, and is now less than it has been. The ch. also has diminished. Only a partial supply of preaching for several years past, and no reasonable prospect of any thing more for years to come.

39. Five years of miss. aid have done all that could have been reasonably expected in strengthening this little church surrounded by great embarrassments, and without a suitable place of worship. The church is still weak, but many that are now strong were once weaker.

40. The ch. was org'd in 1828, suspended public worship in 1842, resumed it in 1847, settled a pastor in 1849, dedicated a new meeting-house (which cost \$5,500) last Jan., and are nearly or quite beyond the need of further aid from this Society, having received its patronage 13 years in all.

41. The present ch. was gathered in 1843, consisting of 11 memb. It has had no *resident* minister, nor a full supply of preaching, till the last year. It is a hard field of labor, and the burden of support falls heavily on a few; but it is borne with an uncomplaining and even cheerful spirit.

42. An enterprising and thrifty village on Miller's river, where miss. aid has been given since 1844, tho' a ch. was not gathered till 1846. An interest has been awakened during the last 2 years, which promises at an early day to place this enterprise on a permanent self-supporting foundation.

43. "The ways of Zion mourn": the pastor is nearly discouraged; and a universal apathy is coming over the people which seems a precursor of death, spiritual, ecclesiastical, and parochial! For 19 years the hand of charity has been stretched out; but charity *alone* can save no church.

44. Large appropriations have never been made to this ch., but they have been repeated for about 25 years. It is believed that the pittance of aid now granted may hereafter be withheld and the ministry still continued. The parish is composed chiefly of mechanics and farmers.

45. After *supplying* stately 6 years, Mr. C. has been installed as *pastor*. In every respect, but in numbers and wealth, this ch. and soc. hold a high rank,—even "their deep poverty abounding unto the riches of their liberality." The ch. was gath'd in 1833, and has been 17 yrs. under miss. patronage.

46. This ch. has leaned for support on the M. Soc. 20 yrs. Mr. S. left when his commission expired, and no appropriation has since been made. The continuance of missionary help is suspended on an *increased* effort among the people to help themselves. The case has reached a crisis.

47. The present ch. was reorganized in 1846. Aid has been afforded 31 yrs. The ch. and soc. are evidently waking up to newness of life, after a long period of languor which *all* the members have not yet entirely shaken off. The town is settled by a sparse, industrious, farming population.

48. This is the third year of miss'y support, and there is reason to believe that it may be the last. The church is situated in a manufacturing village, and therefore subject to fluctuations. The organization was formed in 1824, in the north part of the town.

49. This ch. was gathered in 1844—a small, but earnest and self denying band—among a sea-faring population, at an important point on the shores of an island hallowed by the dust of Puritan preachers and "praying Indians." The spirit of a former age revives with this rising enterprise.

50. Removals by death and emigration have kept this ch. in a state of dependence on the Miss. Soc. ever since its organization in 1829; nor does the past year show any favorable change in outward circumstances, though the pastor's heart has been cheered by some tokens of spiritual reviving.



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51. WASHINGTON. Rev. Francis Norwood, P.	Oct. 1, 1849	12	50									
52. WEST CAMBRIDGE. Rev. Francis Horton, P.	April 1, 1849	12	100	150	77	2	10	12	3	100	164 00	196 00
53. WILLIAMSTOWN, South. Rev. J. A. HAZEN, P.	June 1, 1849	12	100	100	62	1		4	50		3 57	6 00

## REMARKS ON THE ABOVE.

51. This church was gathered in 1772, lapsed into a state of dependence on missionary aid in 1826, and after receiving appropriations at different times for 14 years, has now received the last that will probably be needed. No report has been rendered for the past year.

52. With the expiration of the last commission, this ch. relinquished its hold on the Miss. Society, having, in 7 years, by the divine blessing on a strenuous and steady effort, risen from the helplessness of infancy to the condition of vigorous self-support. A revival has recently been enjoyed.

53. Organized in 1837, and only partially supplied with the ministry of the word till within 2 years. There is no reason to doubt that its dependence on charity will be of short continuance.

## Summary.

FIFTY-THREE feeble churches in Massachusetts have been under the patronage of this Society the past year. Five of these have dropped, like ripe fruit, from the tree of charity, and their names will henceforth be found only in the list of donors. Four others have been received; so that the number of assisted churches among us is but *one* less than was reported last year. It should be mentioned, however, for the encouragement of all who are looking for this indication of *progress*, that several others are now receiving the last annual appropriation that they intend to solicit. The average length of time that missionary aid has been extended to the five discharged churches is ten years.

Thirty-four churches have been under the care of pastors during the whole, or some part of the year; the remaining nineteen have been stately supplied. Five pastors have been dismissed, and six have been settled;—showing that about *one-sixth* of the pastors change their place per annum.

The aggregate number who have habitually attended public worship where our missionaries have preached, is 5,700, or about 110 on an average at each station. The aggregate number of families that have fallen wholly or in part under their spiritual watch, is 1,600; and the number of souls connected with these families, is nearly 8,000—who have also furnished about 3,500 Sabbath school and Bible class pupils.

The churches number about 2,250 members; of which 65 have been added by profession, and 132 by letter, during the year,—198 additions in all; and 117 infants have been baptized.

The labors of the missionaries have been followed with more than usual religious interest, and in several instances the barren waste has *revived* under refreshing showers of grace, as in "the years of the right hand of the Most High." From all the stations, 138 hopeful conversions have been reported,—a larger number than has been returned in any one year since 1843.

Contributions for various objects of Christian benevolence are reported from 41 congregations, amounting to \$2,619—which is about 40 per cent. of the appropriations made by this Society to the whole number. It is presumed that most of the others have also contributed, though the sums have not been reported; for there are only *two* churches on the list that are *known to have given nothing for any object of charity through the entire year*.

The average salary paid to home missionaries in this State, is \$455; from which deduct \$131, the average amount of aid now received from this treasury, and there remains \$324 to be furnished by each assisted parish,—which is a little more than *one per cent.* of their average pecuniary valuation, as recorded on the town assessors' books.

In addition to the foregoing signs of enterprise and progress on the part of our feeble churches, four new meeting-houses have been erected, and two others repaired, at an expense of nearly \$20,000; which we are happy to state has been mostly met by their own unaided efforts.

### Hopeful Aspect of the Field.

The Executive Committee have long looked forward to the time when the old Puritan State of Massachusetts will so far have regained her primitive character as to present no moral waste within her borders—no town or village unsupplied with the institutions of evangelical religion; a time when God shall "restore her judges as at the first, and her councilors as at the beginning," and all her population "shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig-tree" in the quiet enjoyment of religious ordinances upheld without missionary aid. The patrons of this Society have been encouraged to expect such a time as the result of their prayers and alms. Nor can we deem it an idle expectation when we survey the wide wastes that have been already reclaimed. The places now occupied by *two-fifths* of the evangelical Congregational churches in Massachusetts, (many of them among the largest and most influential,) have been so many fields of hard, but successful, missionary toil. The "templed hills" which, in these several places, are trodden by the feet of devout worshippers every Lord's day, *testify* that it is not an idle expectation.

At the same time it must be equally evident to all reflecting minds,

that, beyond a certain limit, missionary help cannot hasten, *and may retard*, this approaching era. Should the necessity for aid in any case continue so long, or be relieved in such a way, as to beget the *habit* of dependence, charity will have defeated its own purpose, by entailing perpetual weakness, where it aimed to impart strength. Or should the custom of commending infant churches to missionary patronage ever become so common as to create the impression that new enterprises can commence under no other auspices, then will this Society be the occasion of restraining the enlargement of Zion, instead of extending her borders. Cases have not been wanting for the last few years in which the Committee have thought they could discover symptoms of both these incidental evils; and they have silently, though assiduously, labored to guard against them. This they have done by gradually withdrawing the hand of help from long-assisted churches, and by persuading new applicants to make the Missionary Society their *last*, instead of their *first*, resort. Yet counteracting influences have often blighted their hopes.

But they are happy to report that their labors in this department the past year have been crowned with unwonted success. In addition to the five discharged churches already named, whose last appropriations amounted to \$450, eleven others have assumed an increased proportion of their minister's support; and by so doing have manifestly increased their power of self-reliance. A still more hopeful indication is seen in the fact, that while *nine new churches* of our own faith and order have sprung into life the past year within the bounds of Massachusetts, and are all supplied with the means of grace, only *one* of the nine is dependent on missionary aid. This fact appears the more significant as we look back over the previous ten years, and find twenty-three out of sixty-five (or *one-third* of all the new enterprises which commenced during that period) thrown upon this Society from their birth. If we extend the review through the past twenty years, the proportion is one-half.

This new aspect of Home Missions in our State lays a new foundation of hope, which is so much the more to be trusted as it springs from enlightened views, rather than from enlarged means. Of the many testimonies which the Committee have received, that their policy and principles, as expounded in the last Annual Report, are appreciated and approved by the Christian public, none more gratifying to their feelings than this practical demonstration on the part of those whose personal and parochial welfare is so deeply affected by the action of this policy and these principles. It marks a turn, in the course of our ecclesiastical affairs, towards "the old paths" which our Puritan fathers trod. Indeed, the resolute and abiding purpose of a feeble band to walk with God and with one another in the mainte-

nance of his ordinances, whatever it may cost them, is *itself* Puritanism; and just so far as it can be propagated, there will be a reproduction of Puritan churches.

And what should hinder an increased reliance on this mode of completing the work which remains to be done in Massachusetts? Where should the spirit of the Pilgrims be evoked, if not in the land of their sepulchres? To whom should

Their faith, and hope, and mighty deeds  
Still fresh instruction give,

if not to those who dwell amid the everlasting monuments of that faith and those deeds? The Committee feel encouraged by the results of the past year to prosecute this high endeavor with new purpose. And they earnestly solicit the co-operation of all who are willing to attempt any thing more in honor of our fathers than to garnish their tombs. They especially call on pastors and ecclesiastical councils to hold up to new churches which they may organize, those bright examples of self-denial for the gospel, which are scattered so thickly over the first pages of New England's history; and to recommend that determined spirit of self-maintenance by which a whole fraternity of feeble churches "out of weakness were made strong." They also call on those who have long time leaned on the arm of charity, to summon up new confidence in the *possibility* of relinquishing that dependence;—not because charity has grown weary of conferring gifts, but because it is not in her power to confer a gift of such unspeakable and enduring importance as might thus be obtained.

The wise and active conquer obstacles  
By daring to attempt them; folly and sloth  
Shiver and sink at sights of toll and hazard,  
And make the impossibility they fear.

### General View of American Home Missions.

The past has been a year of extraordinary developments in respect alike to the civil, the moral, and the religious destiny of this country; and these developments are still unfolding on a scale of magnificence, and with a rapidity, truly marvelous. Our wisest statesmen do not foresee the coming events till they are at the door. Our swiftest legislation cannot make seasonable provision for the changes which come crowding upon us. The ancient solitudes of our newly acquired territories are filling with an enterprising population faster than their boundaries can be staked out. Even commerce, with her sails wide spread to the favoring breeze, labors in vain to keep up with these movements of Providence.

Equally confounding to all sober calculation is the rapidity with which wide fields of moral and religious enterprise are thrown open before us, or distant ones brought near. A little more than two years ago a home missionary was sailing round Cape Horn on his way to Oregon, *via* the Sandwich Islands,—the first that the American Home Missionary Society had ever sent to look after those few sheep which had wandered into that remote wilderness. A little less than one year ago the General Association of Massachusetts received from him a communication in behalf of "*the Oregon Association of Congregational and Presbyterian ministers*," asking to be admitted into fraternal fellowship and correspondence, just like other similar bodies in neighboring States! The request was readily granted and an exchange of Christian salutations immediately commenced. It is only one year last September since the Executive Committee of the same Society began to consider the expediency of fitting out a mission to the almost unknown and uninhabited wastes of California, where the first Protestant church was yet to be gathered. Now the *State* of California is seeking admission into our Federal Union, with her 140,000 inhabitants, her scores of infant cities carrying on a traffic with all the world, and her Christian churches, springing daily to life, in as many different denominational forms as can be found on this side the continent!

These astonishing results, whether we regard their magnitude, their sudden development, or their world-wide influence, are without a precedent or a parallel. As members of the human family we cannot but feel an interest in them. As citizens of this Republic we have a deep personal and patriotic connection with them. As *Christian* citizens engaged in propagating the gospel over this land, they make an appeal to us which we can neither misinterpret nor resist. They foreshadow some new conquest about to be secured—some great victory to be achieved under the banner of Immanuel. They proclaim, as with a herald's trumpet, that "*God has gone up with a shout*," and is expecting us to follow.

With what feelings this summons is received by "the consecrated host of God's elect," may be gathered from the late Annual Report of the American Home Missionary Society at New York, which announces the receipt, during the past year, of \$157,160 78 in sustaining a force of 1,032 missionaries and missionary agents, who are wielding "the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God," in 1,575 different posts, scattered over a territory stretching from Maine to Florida, and from the Atlantic to the Pacific. From the same valuable document we also learn, that God has given to the labors of these missionaries the witness of his converting Spirit to an unusual extent, and has strengthened the feeble churches under their care by the addition of more than 6,000 members; while signs of outward prosperity are

equally apparent. In all these items, the past year shows a gratifying advance on the year preceding :—an advance, however, which still leaves wider and more important fields of missionary labor wholly unoccupied, than were ever before open. Most appropriately do the Executive Committee of that Society, beholding “in its history so much more than the results of human plans and energy,” acknowledge “the awe of God’s presence upon them as they put their hand to this Home Missionary work.” It is like the camp of Israel moving towards Canaan, not only by divine command, but surrounded and overshadowed at every step by visible signs of the divine presence. And like them, too, we have nothing to fear but our own doubts and delays, and nothing to desire but a heart in sympathy with God.

# TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr. The Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in account with Benjamin Perkins, Treasurer. Cr.

To paid Missionaries the past year, . . . . .	\$7,030 05	By balance last year, . . . . .	\$1,543 93
" American Home Missionary Society, . . . .	23,000 00	" Contributions and Legacies,* . . . . .	30,072 52
" Agency, Traveling Expenses, and Incidentals, . . . .	1,085 57	" Income from Fund, . . . . .	813 80
" A. B. C. F. M. from Mrs. Osborne's Fund, . . . .	80 00	" " Mrs. Osborne's Fund, . . . . .	80 00
" carried to Permanent Fund, . . . . .	300 00		
Balance to new account, . . . . .	1,014 63		
	<u>\$32,510 25</u>		<u>\$32,510 25</u>

\* The contributions are acknowledged monthly in the "Home Missionary," which has a general circulation through the State, and are therefore omitted in the present Report.

Boston, May 15, 1850.

Errors Excepted,


BENJAMIN PERKINS, TREASURER.

Boston, May 25, 1850. I have this day examined the account of Benjamin Perkins, Esq., Treasurer of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, and find the same well vouched and correctly cast.

JULIUS A. PALMER, AUDITOR.

## Donations in Clothing, Books, &amp;c.

<i>Abington, East</i> , Young Ladies' Benev. Society, a box,	\$26 55
<i>Berlin</i> , Ladies' Benev. Society, a barrel, \$14.47, and \$3 for freight,	17 47
<i>Bethel, Vt.</i> , Ladies' Sewing Society, a box, \$22.36, and \$3 for freight,	25 36
<i>Boston</i> , Mrs. Nancy Leavitt, a box.	
<i>Dunstable</i> , Ladies' Society, a box, \$23.60, and \$3 for freight,	26 60
<i>Frammingham</i> , South Frammingham Char. Circle, a box, and \$2 for freight,	2 00
<i>Groton</i> , Ladies' Benev. Society, 2 barrels, \$50, and \$4 for freight,	54 00
<i>Hampton, N. H.</i> , Ladies' Sewing Circle, a box, and \$4 for freight,	4 00
<i>Haverhill, West</i> , Ladies' Sewing Circle, a barrel, \$42.36, and \$3 for freight,	45 36
<i>Haverhill, N. H.</i> , Ladies of Cong. Society, a barrel, and \$1 for freight,	1 00
<i>Lowell</i> , 1st Ch. Ladies' Benev. Society, a barrel, and \$5 for freight,	5 00
" Appleton St. Sabbath School, a parcel Question Books.	
<i>Lyne, N. H.</i> , Ladies' Society, a box, \$21.11, and \$3 for freight,	24 11
<i>Medfield</i> , Female Benev. Society, a box, 25.07, and \$3 for freight,	29 07
<i>Middleboro'</i> , Missionary Society, a barrel, \$24, and \$1 for freight,	25 00
<i>Millbury</i> , Sewing Circle, a box, \$79, and \$6 for freight,	85 00
<i>Newburyport</i> , Ladies' H. M. Society, a barrel, \$75.09, and \$2 for freight,	77 09
<i>Northboro'</i> , Lyman Assoc., a box, \$23.68, and \$3 for freight,	26 68
<i>Phympton</i> , Ladies' Society, a barrel, \$40, and \$6 for freight,	46 00
<i>Rochester, North</i> , Ladies' H. M. Society, a bundle,	34 00
<i>Rowley</i> , Ladies' Benev. Society, a box, \$50, and \$3.50 for freight,	53 50
<i>Royalston</i> , Ladies' Benev. Society, a box, \$43, and \$5 for freight,	48 00
<i>Salem</i> , Ladies of various Societies, a box, and \$5 for freight,	5 00
" Rev. M. H. Wilder, a box,	
<i>Sandwich Islands</i> , Rev. B. W. Parker's Ch., S. S. books for Oregon,	10 00
<i>Shelburn</i> , Ladies' Benev. Society, a box, \$94.67, and \$5 for freight,	99 67
<i>Southboro'</i> , Ladies' D. M. Society, a box, \$46.53, and \$3 for freight,	49 53
<i>South Reading</i> , Ladies' Miss. Sewing Circle, a barrel, and \$3 for freight,	3 00
<i>Sunderland</i> , South Ben. So. and Samaritan So., a barrel, \$48.61, and \$3 for freight,	51 61
<i>Townsend</i> , Ladies' Benev. Society, a barrel, \$31.70, and \$3 for freight,	34 70
<i>Townshend, Vt.</i> , Ladies of Cong. Society, a box, and \$2 for freight,	2 00
<i>Waltham</i> , Ladies' Charitable Society, a box, 68.31, and \$5 for freight,	73 31
<i>Wayland</i> , Ladies' Benev. Assoc., a barrel, \$33.56, and \$3 for freight,	39 56
<i>Wendall</i> , Ladies' Ben. and Juv. Circles, a box, \$20, and \$1 for freight,	21 00
<i>Westboro'</i> , Ladies' Sewing Circle, a box, \$111.45, and \$5 for freight,	116 45
<i>West Cambridge</i> , Miss A. Bradshaw, a box, and \$4 for freight,	4 00
<i>Westford</i> , Ladies in Cong. Society, a box,	45 00
<i>West Granville</i> , Ladies' Union Society, a box, \$59.33, and \$4 for freight,	63 33
<i>Weymouth Landing</i> , Ladies' Benev. Assoc., a barrel, \$33.68, and \$4 for freight,	37 68

N. B.—As a box of clothing or books is *no part* of the appropriation which the Society grants to a missionary, it is extremely important that it should be furnished without taking *any portion* of the funds which would otherwise flow into the treasury. Those who can forward, with a box, about \$5 to pay for its transportation, will make their donation *doubly* welcome to the missionary, by relieving him from the great perplexity which he often feels in raising that sum of *money*. The boxes should be strong and tight, and if sent through the agency of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, may be directed to the care of the Secretary, No. 23 Cornhill, Boston.  But when it is practicable, the donors are requested to forward them directly to the office of the A. H. M. Society, 150 Nassau Street, New York.



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### Principles and Rules of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

Those who feel any interest in contemplating the results that accrue from the operations of this Society, will be interested to know by what methods they are reached,—what the leading principles are which govern the Executive Committee in the management of their trust. Every patron of the Society has a *right* to this knowledge. The Committee take pleasure in giving it. And as it happens that impracticable requests are sometimes made through mere misapprehension, it seems proper to give it in considerable detail.

From the early records of the Society, it appears that its missionaries were at first employed as *itinerant* preachers for short periods, and paid by the Society in full for the number of weeks or months specified in their commissions;—that the *location* of ministers, where the people would pledge a reasonable proportion of their support, was adopted as a principle in 1814; that this policy gradually shaped itself into a uniform custom of granting the appropriation to the feeble parish, rather than to the pastor, and with a view to assist *them* in sustaining *him*. This passed into a standing rule in 1827, from which there has been no deviation since, except that in some new fields of labor missionaries have been employed for a short time before a church could be formed;—but always with a view to its speedy formation. In theory, therefore, the parish, and not the pastor is the beneficiary, when missionary patronage is afforded by this Society. It is *their* necessity, not *his*, that the appropriation is designed to relieve. They are expected to proceed like any other parish in procuring a pastor and adjusting the terms of settlement,—placing themselves under the same obligations to pay the stipulated salary, that are common in such cases. If the utmost amount that they can furnish is inadequate to meet these pecuniary obligations, the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society comes to their aid.

But here arises a question of no small perplexity. What is the utmost amount that this feeble society can furnish for the support of their minister? The amount that they actually *will* furnish may depend on a variety of circumstances with which the Executive Committee can properly have no more concern in their case, than in that of any other parish. But how much *ought* they to raise themselves? That there must be some intelligible and uniform standard by which to determine the necessity of those that ask aid, needs no showing. Where shall that standard be fixed so as neither to encourage indolence on the one side, nor to discourage effort on the other? After years of careful observation it has been adopted as a rule, to assist only such parishes as cannot support the ministry by furnishing *one per cent.* of their pecuniary valuation.\* e. g. If the taxable property of all the members of a society amounts, in the aggregate, to \$50,000, as registered on the town assessor's book, and the minister's salary is \$500, the case is not regarded as one of necessity; for *one per cent.* of their pecuniary valuation is just \$500. The same is true where the valuation is \$40,000, and the salary \$400. But when a salary of \$400 is to be paid by a feeble society whose members have an aggregate valuation of \$30,000, the rule would indicate a *necessity* amounting to \$100; and if they should make application to the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society for that sum, other things being right, the Committee would feel justified in granting it.

But there is also a limit in the opposite direction, which the Committee evidently ought not to pass, in making their appropriations. As the pecuniary ability in one case may be too large to require missionary help, so in

\* In the outset of an enterprise, where no Society has yet been organized, this rule can be applied only prospectively; and in some other cases, owing to a looseness in the organization, considerable discretion must needs be exercised in the application of it.



another it may be too small to justify the expensive outlay needed to meet the deficiency. Therefore if a feeble band, applying for aid, must receive more than \$200 per annum from the Missionary Society in order to maintain separate worship, it is judged by the Executive Committee that they are too feeble to embark in the enterprise, and should not, as a general thing, be encouraged to undertake it. This rule, which has its main reason in the impossibility of supplying every want throughout the wide field of Home Missions, operates also as a salutary check on the needless multiplication of churches—a tendency of our times which certainly needs no stimulus from the funds of charity.

In connection with this is another circumstance which the Committee always take into consideration in determining whether new applicants are entitled to missionary patronage; namely, their distance from other places where the word is already preached. As the sole object of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society is to give the gospel to the *destitute*, the Committee presume that all the donations intrusted to their hands are given for that one purpose;—a presumption almost daily confirmed by the testimony of the donors. Whatever pecuniary necessity, or hopeful prospects may be urged by the applicants, still, if their proximity to other churches of their own faith and order, precludes the plea of *distance*, they cannot properly look to this source of relief. The principle here involved—which is coeval with the existence of the Society—distinguishes home missions from *church extension*. It may be no more important to the interests of Christ's kingdom to plant the institutions of religion in some new settlement where no church exists, than to add another to the number already flourishing in one of our cities or large towns. The necessity may even be less urgent, and the call of Providence less imperative in the former case than in the latter. Yet the one is a work pertaining to home missions; the other to colonization of churches, or whatever specific name we are pleased to give it. Both are departments of Christian enterprise, but not identical. They are as distinct as home and city missions; or the operations of the American Board, and those of the Seaman's Friend Society. The reason for this distinction is so obvious that the Committee would have deemed a passing allusion to it sufficient, were it not that a misconception of their motives for refusing such requests has sometimes arisen. They desire in all frankness here to say, that with their understanding of the principles on which this Society is founded, and the line of policy it has pursued for the past half-century, they see not how they can do otherwise without a breach of trust,—especially when the same views which they hold on the subject are continually reiterated in their ears by the patrons of the Society in city, town and village all over the Commonwealth.

Another standing rule of the Executive Committee requires that applicants for aid shall furnish, in writing, a succinct statement of their condition and prospects; together with a certificate, signed by at least three neighboring ministers, testifying their belief in the correctness of the statement, and recommending that a grant be made. This recommendation is not supposed by either party to take away all discretionary power and responsibility from the Committee,—being designed rather to *assist* their action, than to *control* it. These documents, with whatever information can be derived from other sources, supply the data on which their decision is based.

When, in conformity with the foregoing rules and requisitions, a church has been admitted to the patronage of this Society, the most important, and, so far as the Executive Committee are concerned, the most *critical* part of the operation still remains. Merely to receive from year to year a statement of its wants, and to vote the desired supply, would cost but little time, and less care. But to do this discriminately and in a way to answer the great design which the Society has in view; to find out and apply such principles of missionary appropriation as will most effectually bring up a young church

to vigorous maturity, or arrest the decline of an old one—dispensing charity so as to foster the spirit of self-reliance, and not its opposite—*this is a work of much labor and anxiety.*

As the resources of home missions are not intended, like parish funds, to afford perpetual assistance, it is always presumed by the Committee that the necessity for it is *temporary*, and of a nature to be removed by a proper appliance of pecuniary means. Accordingly it is a rule of theirs to pledge no definite sum for a longer period than *one year*. Should the necessity continue, the application may be renewed, and the pledge repeated. But if pecuniary charity is likely to relieve the case at all, it will at length be made apparent in the *smaller* amount required. Nor do the Committee hesitate to diminish the appropriation, after a reasonable time has elapsed, even though there be no abatement in the amount requested. If feeble parishes are occasionally thrown thereby into some embarrassment, they are also rescued from what is more dangerous to their own well-being,—namely, *the habit of relying on missionary help*. Just so far as this is indulged, there comes over them a weakness, a certain want of efficiency, that is only *increased* by continuing the aid; till at last it becomes alike impossible to maintain the ministry without it, or to induce the public to give it. To guard against this,—the greatest, if not the only evil incident to our home missionary work,—requires a familiar and fresh acquaintance with the ever varying circumstances of each assisted church and society. The Executive Committee endeavor to obtain this by exacting quarterly reports from the missionaries who desire quarterly payments; but more especially by propounding a series of questions, to be answered on or before the first of April every year, and designed to draw forth definite information on all the points that can be supposed to have any relation to the religious, ecclesiastical, pecuniary or parochial condition of each missionary field. By this method the Committee have always before them the means, not only of comparing every church with all the rest, but also of marking the absolute progress of each. Nor have they been able to discover any less laborious method of intelligent and impartial action. They do not believe there is any. And when, as sometimes happens, there are conflicting opinions respecting the capabilities and claims of a mission church—the views of one disinterested person being in direct opposition to those of another, and the views of both different from those of the Board—it can be imputed only to a want of that information which such a carefully kept register alone can supply.

Finally: it is a standing rule not to renew the appropriation to a feeble church having a pastor, until he furnishes a certificate that they have satisfactorily fulfilled their engagements with him. The design of it is to prevent the common, but ruinous mistake, to which feeble parishes especially are exposed, of falling in debt to their ministers. And as the Committee have noticed the good effects of this rule, they have wished that it was the happy lot of all other parishes in the land to be placed under the like regimen. It would keep them from much embarrassment, and be a great saving to the cause of home missions, by forestalling the necessity of applying for aid.

The foregoing observations develop the principal features in the line of policy pursued by the Executive Committee; all of which may be summarily stated thus:—

1. To assist feeble churches and societies in sustaining their ministers.
2. To give only such aid as will meet the deficiency after they have paid at least *one per cent.* of their taxable property.
3. In no case to grant over \$200 per annum to the same missionary flock.
4. To afford help only to such as, by reason of *distance*, cannot go to other churches of their own order.
5. To pledge no sum of money for a longer period than one year.
6. To require of each missionary a statistical report of his field annually; and quarterly reports if he desires quarterly payments.

7. To require feeble churches to fulfill their engagements with their pastors each year before they renew their application for aid.

In applying these general rules, which, of course, must be modified somewhat to meet all conceivable cases, the Committee usually give the strongest encouragement to such parishes as (other things being equal) have *settled* pastors; and the least to those which subsist on occasional supplies;—while they have ceased to make any appropriation at all where the preacher does not reside among the people.

### Rules, Regulations and By-Laws of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

“As the object of the Society is to diffuse the knowledge of the Gospel of Jesus Christ among the heathen and others in destitute places,” they therefore agree to adopt the following Rules, &c.

ARTICLE I. The officers of the Society shall be a President, Vice President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and twenty Trustees, chosen annually by ballot.

II. It shall be the duty of the President to regulate the meetings of the Society, and, *ex-officio*, to act as one of the Board of Trustees; seven of whom shall constitute a quorum for business, at any meeting regularly convened.

III. The Trustees shall, immediately after each Annual Meeting of the Society, appoint an Executive Committee of seven, (including the Secretary and Treasurer,) residing in Boston and its vicinity; four of whom shall be a quorum at any regular meeting. This Committee shall have power to appoint its own meetings, form its own rules of business, fill any vacancy in its own number which may occur during the year, and convene special meetings of the Trustees or Society: they shall examine and appoint Missionaries, and direct them as to their labors;—it being understood that none shall be employed as Missionaries, except those who exhibit credible evidence of experimental piety, and of that Christian zeal, wisdom, information and diligence, which are adequate to the arduous work of Evangelists, in the most self-denying circumstances. This Committee shall also manage and dispose of the Society's property, and transact all the concerns of the Society, not otherwise assigned; and shall make report, at each Annual Meeting, of the labor and success of the Missionaries, and exhibit a particular account of their own transactions.

IV. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to conduct the correspondence of the Society, keep an accurate record of its proceedings, and exhibit them whenever required.

V. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and hold the property of the Society, to answer the orders of the Executive Committee, and to make a report at every Annual Meeting of the Society. He shall also give bonds, from time to time, to such amount as the Executive Committee shall think proper.

VI. Any person may become a Member of this Society by paying two dollars to the Treasurer for the use of the Society; and shall be considered as retaining his membership and obliged to pay two dollars annually, until his desire to discontinue his connection with the Society be expressed to the Treasurer. Any person may become a Life Member of this Society by paying into the treasury thirty dollars at one time.

VII. The Society shall meet at Boston to transact their annual business on the Tuesday preceding the last Wednesday in May, of each year, at ten o'clock, A. M.

A public meeting shall also be held annually in the same city, on the evening of the same day; to be conducted in such manner as the Executive Committee shall direct; and an annual sermon shall be preached at the time and place of the meeting of the General Association of Massachusetts, by some person appointed by said Association, and a collection taken in aid of the funds of the Society. An annual delegation may be sent to the General Association of Massachusetts, on such terms as may be agreed upon by the two bodies.

VIII. These Rules and Regulations shall be subject to any amendments and improvements which this Society shall think proper to adopt; but no amendments shall be adopted, except by the vote of two-thirds of the members present at an annual meeting; nor unless the same shall have been recommended by the Executive Committee.

# CONSTITUTION

## OF THE

### AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

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**ART. 1.** This Society shall be denominated "THE AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY."

**ART. 2.** The object of this Society shall be, to assist congregations that are unable to support the Gospel Ministry, and to send the Gospel to the destitute, within the United States; also, to co-operate with evangelical Christians in the support of Home Missions in nominally Christian countries, to such an extent as the funds of the Institution may justify.

**ART. 3.** The Officers of the Society shall be, a President, Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, an Auditor, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, and fifty Directors, who shall be annually appointed by the Society; and who, together with the Directors for life, shall constitute a Board, seven of whom shall be a quorum, at any meeting regularly convened.

**ART. 4.** The Officers and Directors shall appoint an Executive Committee of thirteen, (including the Treasurer, the Corresponding Secretary, and the Recording Secretary,) residing in the City of New York and its vicinity; five of whom shall be a quorum, at any meeting regularly convened. This Committee shall have power to appoint its own meetings, form its own rules of business, and fill any vacancies in its own number which may occur during the year, and to convene special meetings of the Board or Society; shall appoint Missionaries, and instruct them as to the field and manner of their labors; shall have the disposal of the funds; shall create such agency or agencies for appointing Missionaries, and for other purposes, as the interests of the institution may require; and shall make an Annual Report of their proceedings to the Society.

**ART. 5.** The Treasurer shall give bonds, annually, to such amount as the Executive Committee shall think proper.

**ART. 6.** Any person may become a member of this Society, by contributing annually to its funds; thirty dollars paid at one time shall constitute a Member for life; and one hundred dollars paid at one time shall constitute a Director for life; and any person, on the payment of a sum, which, in addition to any previous contribution to the funds, shall amount to one hundred dollars, shall be a Director for life. An executor, on paying a legacy of two hundred and fifty dollars to the funds of this Society, shall be a Member for life; and the payment of a legacy of one thousand dollars shall constitute him a Director for life.

**ART. 7.** Any Missionary Society may become auxiliary, by agreeing to pay into the Treasury of this Society the whole of its surplus funds, and sending to the Corresponding Secretary a copy of its Constitution and Annual Reports, mentioning the names of its Missionaries, and the fields of their operations.

**ART. 8.** Every Auxiliary Society which shall agree to pay the whole of its funds to this Society, shall be entitled to a Missionary or Missionaries, to labor in such field as it may designate; at least to the amount of its contributions; provided such designation be made at the time of payment.

**ART. 9.** The Officers of all Auxiliary Societies shall be ex-officio Directors; and annual contributors to their funds shall be members of the Society.

**ART. 10.** This Society shall meet annually in the City of New York, on the Wednesday next preceding the second Thursday in May.

**ART. 11.** No alteration shall be made in this Constitution, without a vote of two-thirds of the members present, at an annual meeting; nor unless the same shall have been proposed at a previous annual meeting, or recommended by the Executive Committee.

## SYSTEMATIC CONTRIBUTIONS.

THE following plan for systematic contributions in Massachusetts to the various objects of benevolence here specified, was recommended by the General Association of the State, at their meeting in Ipswich, June 24, 1840, and has been extensively adopted by the local Associations and Conferences. The necessity for *some* uniform system has long been felt, and it is hoped that this will meet the approbation of all.

### 1. BOSTON AND VICINITY.

According to the arrangement made by these churches in 1833.

Foreign Missions, *January*.  
Education Society, *February*.  
City Missions, *April*.  
Sabbath Schools, *June*.  
Home Missions, *September*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *October*.  
Tract Society, *November*.

### 2. ESSEX COUNTY AND ANDOVER ASSOCIATION.

Bible Society, *December and January*.  
Foreign Missions, *February and March*.  
Education Society, *April and May*.  
Home Missions, *June and July*.  
Tract Society, *August and September*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *October*.  
Sabbath School Society, *November*.

### 3. MIDDLESEX UNION AND WOBURN ASSOCIATIONS.

Bible Society, *January and February*.  
Foreign Missions, *March and April*.  
Education Society, *May and June*.  
Home Missions, *July and August*.  
Tract Society, *September and October*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *November*.  
Sabbath School Society, *December*.

### 4. NORFOLK COUNTY AND CONFERENCE, AND MENDON ASSOCIATION.

Bible Society, *February and March*.  
Foreign Missions, *April and May*.  
Education Society, *June and July*.  
Home Missions, *August and September*.  
Tract Society, *October and November*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *December*.  
Sabbath School Society, *January*.

### 5. BERKSHIRE COUNTY.

Bible Society, *March and April*.  
Foreign Missions, *May and June*.  
Education Society, *July and August*.  
Home Missions, *September and October*.  
Tract Society, *November and December*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *January*.  
Sabbath School Society, *February*.

### 6. HAMPDEN COUNTY.

Bible Society, *April and May*.  
Foreign Missions, *June and July*.  
Education Society, *August and September*.  
Home Missions, *October and November*.  
Tract Society, *December and January*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *February*.  
Sabbath School Society, *March*.

### 7. HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.

Bible Society, *May and June*.  
Foreign Missions, *July and August*.  
Education Society, *September and October*.  
Home Missions, *November and December*.  
Tract Society, *January and February*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *March*.  
Sabbath School Society, *April*.

### 8. FRANKLIN COUNTY AND WORCESTER NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Bible Society, *June and July*.  
Foreign Missions, *August and September*.  
Education Society, *October and November*.  
Home Missions, *December and January*.  
Tract Society, *February and March*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *April*.  
Sabbath School Society, *May*.

### 9. WORCESTER CENTRAL AND BROOKFIELD ASSOCIATIONS.

Bible Society, *July and August*.  
Foreign Missions, *September and October*.  
Education Society, *November and December*.  
Home Missions, *January and February*.  
Tract Society, *March and April*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *May*.  
Sabbath School Society, *June*.

### 10. MIDDLESEX SOUTH AND HARMONY CONFERENCES.

Bible Society, *August and September*.  
Foreign Missions, *October and November*.  
Education Society, *December and January*.  
Home Missions, *February and March*.  
Tract Society, *April and May*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *June*.  
Sabbath School Society, *July*.

### 11. TAUNTON AND VICINITY AND OLD COLONY CONFERENCES.

Bible Society, *September and October*.  
Foreign Missions, *November and December*.  
Education Society, *January and February*.  
Home Missions, *March and April*.  
Tract Society, *May and June*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *July*.  
Sabbath School Society, *August*.

### 12. PILGRIM AND BARNSTABLE CONFERENCES.

Bible Society, *October and November*.  
Foreign Missions, *December and January*.  
Education Society, *February and March*.  
Home Missions, *April and May*.  
Tract Society, *June and July*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *August*.  
Sabbath School Society, *September*.



### AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

It is respectfully requested, that when auxiliary societies are formed, information may be given immediately to the Secretary, with the names and residences of the officers of such societies—and a copy of the constitution, and the names of the towns or parishes (if more than one) included within their limits.

It is also requested, that they report progress once a year—immediately after their annual meeting—or before the first of May. The grounds of these requests are:

1. That the Executive Committee may know how much ground is occupied in the State by auxiliaries—and how much is unorganized.
2. That they may know with whom to correspond officially—and how to make arrangements for delegations to the annual meetings of auxiliaries.
3. That they may forward the Annual Reports of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, and of the American Home Missionary Society, to the several auxiliaries—and also the "Home Missionary" to each association contributing ten dollars or more annually to the funds of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

*Unless special directions be given to the contrary, these publications will be forwarded by mail.*

### APPLICATIONS FOR AID.

It is expected that any feeble congregation desiring aid in supporting the gospel, will regard the following particulars in their application:

1. The number of members in the church.
2. The number of families or souls in the society.
3. The whole population of the town or parish.
4. The number usually attending public worship, or the number that may be expected to attend.
5. The amount of property belonging to members of the society, as rated on the State bill, or town valuation.
6. The amount supposed necessary for a minister's support.
7. The mode of collection—whether by tax or voluntary subscription.
8. The utmost amount that can be secured for the object, within the limits of the society.
9. The least amount that must be derived from other sources.
10. The probable length of time for which charitable aid will be needed.

A written statement on these topics, signed by a committee of the church or society, is required, and the correctness of the statement is to be vouched by two or three neighboring ministers, who are expected at the same time to certify that in their opinion the request for assistance ought to be granted.

### FORM OF A BEQUEST TO THE MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

I give unto the Treasurer of the "Massachusetts Home Missionary Society," the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ dollars, for the purposes of said Society, and for which the receipt of such Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge.

Some important legacies have been lost to the cause of Home Missions, through inattention to the legal name of the Society, to which they were given.

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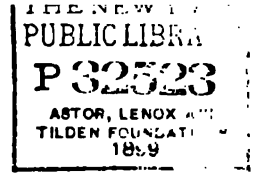
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AT THE

ANNIVERSARY MEETING IN BOSTON, MAY 27, 1861.



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## NOTICES.

ALL communications intended for the Executive Committee, and any correspondence relating to the general interests of the Society, may be addressed to Rev. JOSEPH S. CLARK, Secretary, No. 28 Cornhill, Boston.

All remittances of money, and whatever communications relate to the pecuniary concerns of the Board, may be made to BENJAMIN PERKINS, Esq., Treasurer, No. 100 Washington Street, Boston.

Persons, in any part of the State, wishing to become Life Members or Life Directors of the American Home Missionary Society—or to make donations in any form to its funds, can transmit their donations through the treasury of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

Life Membership in the American Home Missionary Society, is *thirty dollars*.

Life Directorship in the do. do. is *one hundred dollars*.

Life Membership in the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, is *thirty dollars*.

☐ The Secretaries of Auxiliary Societies, are earnestly requested to forward copies of their Annual Reports, without delay, to the Secretary of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, No. 28 Cornhill, Boston. Also to furnish a list of the Officers chosen at each annual meeting. Compliance with these requests will enable the Committee of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society to furnish, in connection with their Annual Report, a satisfactory account of the state and progress of each Auxiliary.

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THE HOME MISSIONARY is published monthly by the American Home Missionary Society, 150 Nassau Street, New York. It is also distributed from the office of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, 28 Cornhill, Boston, for the accommodation of subscribers and others entitled to it, who reside in this State. Terms, *one dollar per annum*, in advance.

☐ It is sent *gratuitously* to Life Members, Missionaries, and Auxiliary Associations of either Society; to all pastors whose congregations contribute any sum annually to either treasury; to all persons who serve as collectors; and to each donor of \$10 annually who signifies a wish to receive it. Application may be made either to the Treasurer on the payment of donations, or to the Secretary, who is Agent for the distribution of the Home Missionary in Massachusetts.

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**STANDING RULE.**—The Missionary who makes his Reports to the Secretary of the Society *quarterly*, shall be entitled to quarterly drafts on the Treasury. Those who report *semi-annually*, shall be entitled to semi-annual drafts. Those who fail to render an *Annual Report on or before the first day of APRIL*, shall thereby forfeit the patronage of the Society, unless a sufficient excuse be rendered. In the Annual Report, definite answers to the following questions are required.

1. What is the number of rateable polls—also families—in your society?
2. What is the amount of your Society's valuation on the town assessors' book?
3. What proportion of it is in the hands of church members?
4. What aid do you receive from persons not connected with your society?
5. What productive funds has your society?
6. What is your stipulated salary?
7. How is it raised—by tax or subscription?
8. Is it punctually paid?
9. What is the average number in your Sabbath congregations?
10. What is the number of your church members—male—female?
11. What additions to the church during the year ending April 1st—by profession—by letter?
12. What the number of baptisms—adult—infant?
13. How many hopeful conversions have occurred?
14. What is the number in your Sabbath school and Bible class?
15. What progress has been made in temperance?
16. What is the amount of contributions to the Mass. Home Missionary Society?
17. What the amount contributed to all other religious charities?
18. What special encouragements or discouragements have you in your labors?

[In answering these inquiries, it will only be necessary to refer to their numerical designation, without transcribing them.]

## ANNUAL MEETING.

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Boston, May 27, 1851.

THE Massachusetts Home Missionary Society held their Fifty-second Annual Meeting this day, at 10 o'clock A. M., in the Secretary's office.

The President, Rev. LEONARD WOODS, D. D., opened the meeting with prayer, and the Rev. DAVID DYER was chosen Scribe.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary.

The Treasurer's Report was read by BENJAMIN PERKINS, Esq., and was accepted.

The Rev. Messrs. HARRIS, FERGUSON, and CRANE, were appointed a committee of nomination, who reported the following officers for the ensuing year, which was unanimously adopted, and they were chosen. (See next page.)

*Voted*, That the Report of the Executive Committee be deferred till the public meeting this evening, and that an abstract of the same be then read by the Secretary.

*Voted*, That the Rev. Dr. Woods, or in the case of his inability to go, the Rev. A. C. THOMPSON, and the Secretary, be delegates to attend the next meeting of the General Association of Massachusetts.

*Voted*, That the Society now adjourn to meet in the Tremont Temple this evening at 7½ o'clock, for the purpose of attending the public exercises of the Anniversary.

DAVID DYER, Scribe.

### PUBLIC MEETING.

At the appointed hour, public services commenced with prayer by Rev. D. DANA, D. D., of Newburyport.

A brief abstract of the Fifty-second Annual Report was read by Rev. J. S. CLARK, the Secretary,—which, on motion of Rev. L. F. DIMMICK, D. D., of Newburyport, was adopted and ordered to be printed under the direction of the Executive Committee.

The large and listening assembly were then ably addressed on the two following Resolutions, viz :

*"Resolved*, That the past and present developments of God's plan to sanctify us as a nation, and by us to bless the world, call on us for elevated conceptions of his future designs, and believing, earnest co-operation to carry out his plans." By Rev. EDWARD BREWSTER, D. D., of Boston.

*"Resolved*, That a vital Christianity diffused among a people, sustains intimate relations to their social and political prosperity, as well as to their religious advancement; and that, therefore, the Society aiming to send the Gospel, through a teaching ministry, into destitute localities, deserves the highest regard of the patriot." By Rev. R. S. STORRS, Jr., of Brooklyn, N. Y.

The exercises were interspersed with the singing of appropriate hymns, and closed with the benediction by Rev. DANIEL KIMBALL, of Ipswich.

## OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY.

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### PRESIDENT.

REV. LEONARD WOODS, D. D.

### VICE PRESIDENTS.

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## ANNUAL REPORT.

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ANOTHER of the Fathers has fallen since we last assembled. Rev. ELISHA FISK, a member of the Society for fifty years, and one of its Vice Presidents for the last twenty-four, has been severed from these relations by death; or rather, has become associated with that larger division of its members and officers who have been released from their labors on earth, to stand before the throne of God in heaven. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth; yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them." The works of a departed generation are inseparably blended with those of the present in all the cheering results which the Executive Committee record in this their FIFTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT.

### Treasury.

A balance of \$1,014 63 was in the Treasurer's hands at the opening of the year. He has since received, from all sources, \$31,168 61.

The disbursements for the same period are \$6,354 58 paid to missionaries in Massachusetts; \$1,046 27 in defraying incidental expenses; and \$24,000 remitted to the American Home Missionary Society, to be appropriated at their discretion on the field at large. The additional sum of \$6,410 55 has gone from different parts of the State directly to that treasury, without passing through this; so that the entire receipts from Massachusetts are \$37,579 16; and \$30,410 55 of this sum have been expended out of the State. As compared with those of the previous year, the total receipts are \$1,984 12 *less*; while the regular and reliable collections from the churches are \$338 26 *more*,—the legacies amounting to only \$4,548 95, while the year preceding they amounted to \$6,930 33.

### Tabular View.

The following table, with the accompanying remarks, will show the name, location, &c. of each missionary, and the more important statistics pertaining to his flock. *P.* denotes *Pastor*, and *s. s.* *Stated Supply*.

Churches and Missionaries.		Date of Commission.	Length of com.	Dollars approp'd.	Average cong'o.	Church members.	Added by prof.	Added by letter.	Reported conv.	Infants baptized.	S. S. & Bible cl.	Contrib. to Home Missions.	Contrib. to other objects.
1. ADAMS, South. Rev. J. Jay Dana,	P.	April 1, 1850	12 125	135 76	4 16					60			
2. ALFORD. Rev. G. Hayden,	s. s.	May 1, 1850	12 100										
3. ASHBURNHAM, North. Rev. A. A. Whitmore,	P.	June 1, 1850	12 100	75 67	9 1					80		20 00	
4. BECKET, North. Rev. Jonas Colburn,	s. s.	April 1, 1850	12 900	62 4	3					90			
5. BERNARDSTON. Rev. Charles Kendall,	P.	May 1, 1850	12 100	80 64	1 1	2 2				50	33 27	55 65	
6. BEVERLY, 4th Parish. Rev. Allen Gannett,	P.	Aug. 1, 1850	12 100	100 27		1 1				65		75 00	
7. BILLERICA. Rev. J. G. D. Stearns,	P.	April 1, 1850	12 75	115 55	2 6					1 00	15 00	15 00	
8. BOSTON, German Evang. Rev. Louis B. Schwarz,	P.	Nov. 17, 1850	12 150	175	2 1	7 37				100	30 00	90 00	
9. BURLINGTON. Rev. H. G. Park,	P.	May 14, 1850	12 125	150 60		2				00		12 00	
10. CAMBRIDGE, East. Rev. F. T. Perkins,	P.	Jan. 1, 1851	12 75	200 09	1 4	1 3				120	79 19	158 11	
11. CANTON. Rev. Homer Benson,	P.	July 1, 1850	12 100	140 30		4 10	1 64					30 00	
12. CARLISLE. Rev. S. W. Banister,	P.	April 1, 1850	12 125	85 52	2 2	1 65				16 00	50 00		
13. CHESTER, Factories. Rev. J. C. Strong,	s. s.	May 23, 1850	9 100	150 26						50	30 00	10 00	
14. CHESTER VILLAGE. Rev. P. K. Clark,	s. s.	May 1, 1850	12 100	130 51	3 5	8 4				68	74 31	145 80	
15. DANA, Storrsville. Rev. John Keep,	P.	Jan. 1, 1851	12 150	100 44	3 1	2 1	140			12 50	37 87		
16. DOUGLAS. Rev. David Holman,	s. s.	April 1, 1850	12 125	90 51	1 7	1 5	65						
17. DOVER. Rev. John Haskell,	P.	June 20, 1850	12 125	75 31		13	40	4 50					
18. EASTHAM. Rev. J. H. Wells,	s. s.	Nov. 12, 1849	12 50	75 45			35						
19. ERVING. Rev. Edward Morris,	s. s.	Feb. 1, 1850	12 150	75 90									
20. GLOUCESTER, Annisquam. Rev. Edwin Seabury,	s. s.	Aug. 12, 1850	12 175	900 35		3	100				8 00		
21. GLOUCESTER, West. Rev. L. Wheaton,	P.	July 16, 1850	12 200	125 44	1 1	1	50						
22. HAVERHILL, East. Rev. Wales Lewis,	P.	May 28, 1850	12 125	100 26	2 3		40	16 00	27 00				
23. HAWLEY, West. Rev. John Eastman,	P.	Nov. 1, 1849	12 75	150 61			80	17 50	50 00				
24. HINGHAM. Rev. E. Porter Dyer,	P.	Sept. 15, 1850	12 200	100 19	2 1	2 1	75	4 45	50 52				
25. HOLLAND. Rev. Benjamin Ober,	s. s.	April 1, 1850	12 125	100 40	3		80	10 00	15 00				

## REMARKS.

1. This growing society have had occasion to enlarge their place of worship by the addition of 22 slips, which has cost about \$500. This circumstance, together with an accession of 90 members to the church, may be regarded as evidence that the days of their *weakness* are past.
2. Mr. Hayden took the place of Rev. A. L. Crandall early in the year, but no statistical report of the church has been received. The population of the town is small, while its mountainous and secluded position is unfavorable for an increase.
3. The losses by fire which several of the ablest members have sustained during the year, have somewhat reduced the strength, and depressed the courage of this Society. In all other respects the pastor's report is as hopeful as at any former time.
4. An infant church, organized with 55 members, Sept. 25, 1849, in a thriving village on the Western railroad. In November, a new meeting house was dedicated. No missionary aid will hereafter be sought for, or needed, in sustaining the gospel here.
5. This church, formerly assisted, has maintained the ministry for several years past without missionary aid. In consequence of unexpected embarrassments, they have felt constrained to cast themselves for this one more year—and *early* this—on the patronage of the M. H. M. Society.
6. There have been no accessions to the church, but some removals. Still, "a marked improvement in the attendance and interest, especially on the part of the youth, within the year past," encourages the pastor to hope, that he has not labored in vain.
7. A debt of about \$300, contracted in repairing the meeting house, has been cancelled, and important additions have been made to the church. Every change now favors the hope that this enterprise, after 21 years of dependence, is about to be placed on a self-supporting basis.
8. Nearly all who now attend this church are strictly evangelical, and appear deeply interested in evangelical truth. In addition to the ordinary Sabbath services, prayer meetings are sustained in East Boston, Roxbury, and Milton, where members of the church reside.
9. No advance appears to have been made, the past year, in numbers; though it is supposed that greater stability, and a gradual increase of moral power, authorize the hope of seeing the gospel again sustained without missionary help, as heretofore.
10. Although the members of this society have renewed their application for assistance one more year, it will be seen, by referring to the table, that they have paid into the H. M. treasury more than they have taken out, and to other objects of charity twice as much.
11. Much disheartened by repeated failures in their attempts to settle a pastor, this feeble band have received a new impulse from a late reviving of God's work in their midst. Mr. Benson, whom the ch. and soc. had unanimously called to settle, has returned to Wisconsin, his former field of labor.
12. A church bell, which cost \$347, has been purchased, and nearly paid for, with some help from friends out of town. Mr. Banister and all his flock have been sorely afflicted in the death of Mrs. B., which occurred in July.
13. This, and the church in Montgomery, have shared the labors of the same missionary, in proportion to the amount of funds subscribed by each. It is the intention of the congregation in C., by an increased effort, to have preaching hereafter each Sabbath through the year.
14. About \$300 of the meeting-house debt has been liquidated the past year. The remainder will be cancelled during the year to come. After which they have resolved to sustain their own minister. Of late, there has been unusual seriousness, which still continues.
15. A growing conviction throughout the community that this church and society will be permanent, and a deepening sense of personal responsibility among the members, are reported among the encouraging aspects of the case.
16. No progress—some retrogression. Without a vigorous and combined effort by *all* the members, there is reason to fear that missionary aid will not avail to save this church from extinction. By advice of neighboring ministers, the experiment is continued for one more year.
17. Rev. O. W. Cooley was dismissed at his own request, Dec. 25th, and his successor ordained the same day. The ministry of Mr. H. commences under the most encouraging of all auspices—the work of the Holy Spirit.
18. No appropriation has been made to this church since the last report. Mr. W. was called to another field of labor after the expiration of his mission here, and his place has not yet been supplied. The report for the past year is not essentially different from that of the preceding.
19. Mr. M. having labored among this little band about three months, removed to a wider field in Wisconsin. The pulpit has been subsequently supplied chiefly by non-resident ministers, and without aid from this Society. A pastor is greatly needed.
20. This long-assisted flock is waking up to newness of life. In addition to the facts stated in the table, 100 American Messengers, 40 Youth's Daysprings, and 13 copies of the Journal of Missions are taken, and 200 tracts distributed monthly to as many families.
21. A spirited effort has resulted in securing a parsonage, which, with the recent settlement of a pastor, gives an air of permanence and hope, which the enterprise has lacked heretofore. In these hopeful movements the neighboring churches have evinced their sympathy and benevolence.
22. The removal by death of several important members imposes an additional burden on the rest, and utters an additional appeal to all "of like precious faith" in the parish to combine in sustaining it.
23. At the expiration of his commission, the pastor, by a strenuous and successful movement of his flock, was permitted to report that no further aid would be needed. Most affectionately we commend them to God and to the word of his grace.
24. Evangelical truth gains some ground each year, and keeps what it gains. But great as the conquests are which it has yet made, there remain still greater to be achieved before a triumph can be proclaimed.
25. No material changes have marked the history of this church the past year. The gospel has been faithfully preached, and a small addition has been made to the church. Mr. Ober has signified his intention to leave, and no arrangements have yet been made for the future.



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26. HOLYOKE, 1st Church. Rev. Simeon Miller,	P.	Jan. 1, 1850	12	50	150	66		1		1	100	23 81	49 43
27. HOLYOKE, 2d Church. Rev. A. C. Pierce,	P.	June 1, 1850	12	200	135	36	2	16	3	1	120	17 00	58 00
28. LEWISBURY, Linsbrook. Rev. E. Birchard,	s. s.	Mar. 7, 1850	12	125	100	42	2	1		1	70	16 00	92 00
29. KINGSTON. Rev. Joseph Peckham,	P.	Sept. 8, 1850	12	100	150	79	1			2	65	30 00	00 00
30. LANCASTER Rev. Charles Packard,	P.	Jan. 1, 1851	12	100	125	67	6	4	6	3	100	27 36	75 13
31. LITTLETON. Rev. D. H. Babcock,	P.	Feb. 1, 1851	12	125	70	41	2				50		
32. LYNN, Swampscott. Rev. J. B. Clark,	s. s.	Apr. 15, 1850	12	200	300	30	2		3	3	100		
33. MALDEN, South. Rev. Francis G. Pratt.	P.	Aug. 19, 1850	12	175	175	47	9	11	8	160	26 81		
34. MARSHFIELD, North. Rev. D. D. Tappan.	P.	Jan. 1, 1851	12	100	100	38			2	60	16 02	45 23	
35. MELROSE. Rev. Stillman Pratt,	P.	July 22, 1850	12	300	125	22		3		2	40		
36. MENDON. Rev. C. Chamberlain.	s. s.	Apr. 1, 1850	12	75	75	45				30	4 75	5 00	
37. MILTON, Railway Village. Rev. S. W. Cozens,	s. s.	Dec. 9, 1850	12	100	120	35		2		75	45 31		
38. MONTGOMERY. Rev. J. C. Strong,	s. s.	May 23, 1850	3	100	100	27					11 00		
39. NEW SALEM. Rev. W. H. Hayward,	P.	Nov. 1, 1850	12	175	75	23	1	1		2	65		26 00
40. NORTH CHILMARK. Rev. J. D. Farnsworth,	s. s.	July 1, 1850	12	100	75	18					85	15 00	30 00
41. ORANGE, North. Rev. W. Ward Jones,	s. s.	Apr. 21, 1850	12	900	50	26	3		1	40	21 25		
42. ORANGE, South. Rev. M. B. Angier,	s. s.	Oct. 29, 1850	12	175	225	46	4	4	2	175	30 00		
43. PELHAM. Rev. A. C. Page,	P.	Nov. 16, 1849	12	175	150	3			40	130			
44. PERSCOTT. Rev. C. Galpin,	s. s.	July 15, 1850	12	150	70	22			3	50	10 00		
45. ROWE. Rev. B. F. Clarke,	P.	Sept. 12, 1849	12	150									
46. SAUGUS. Rev. Levi Brigham,	s. s.	Aug. 20, 1850	12	175	125	23				70			
47. SHUTESBURY. Rev. James Tisdale,	s. s.	Oct. 15, 1850	12	100	110	44	1			60			
48. STOCKBRIDGE, Curtisville. Rev. W. H. Phelps,	P.	May 1, 1850	12	75	135	63		2		60	15 00	77 00	
49. TISBURY, Holmes' Hole. Rev. Wm. Peck,	s. s.	Jan. 1, 1851	12	150	75	22	1		1	50	17 00		
50. WARWICK. Rev. R. C. Hatch,	P.	Dec. 23, 1850	12	100	75	25			1	1	65	24 00	44 00

## REMARKS.

95. After depending on missionary aid for 19 years, this church relinquished that dependence in 1843. The present necessity is *temporary*, and will require no relief beyond the small appropriation of the past year, which has been granted by request of the Hampden Auxiliary.

97. By reason of the stagnation of business in this new manufacturing "city," many of the most reliable members have removed. Still the enterprise is hopeful, and will rise to independent support as soon as the existing pressure is removed.

98. Mr. B left this flock when his commission expired. The church has increased in numbers, and the society in pecuniary ability; and it is now their intention to sustain the ministry without reliance on the Missionary Society.

99. The gift of a church bell by a non-resident native of the town, the erection of a belfry and other repairs on the sanctuary to the amount of \$300, an increasing congregation, and an efficient sewing circle of ladies, are cheering items in the pastor's last report.

30. An accession of able and willing members to the church and society has greatly relieved their embarrassments, and rendered it nearly certain that they will provide for the pastor's entire support when his present commission expires.

31. Mr. B's installation took place on the 24th of April. The pulpit having been supplied by a non-resident ministry during most of the preceding year, the people defrayed the expense chiefly by their own unaided efforts.

32. "By contrasting the condition of things at present, with what they were 4 or 5 years since, or at the time when the gospel was first planted here," it is clearly shown in Mr. C.'s report "that the annual appropriations have not been granted in vain."

33. The congregation, the society, the church, the Sabbath school, have all increased, and God has added the converting influences of his Spirit. It is supposed that this infant enterprise has nearly reached the point of self-support.

34. This is probably the last year that missionary aid will be sought, as the society has at length risen to the state in which a combined and spirited effort will accomplish their independence. The pastor holds occasional evening meetings in Pembroke, where no evangelical church is.

35. "The debt which one year ago pressed heavily, has been liquidated. The population of the village is increasing. The enterprise may be regarded as having passed the dangerous period of its infancy." We regret to add that the pastor has just been dismissed.

36. Mr. C left on the 1st of April, disheartened by the removal from town of some, and the alienation of others, on whom his support depended. It is now in contemplation to relinquish dependence on the M. H. M. Society, and try the ministry of Methodists.

37. "The general aspect of things in relation to the church and society is encouraging," says the annual report. In confirmation of this, it is gratifying to add, that they have already decided to assume the minister's entire support when this year expired.

38. This church has been associated, the past year, with that in Chester Factories under the care of the same missionary. They seem resolved, at present, to do more hereafter, and share more largely in the benefits of the gospel ministry.

39. Harmonious among themselves, and on terms of peace with those around them, there is manifestly a growing purpose to uphold evangelical worship, and increasing hope of a successful issue. The little flock still find a sanctuary in the Academy Hall.

40. The pastor of this church was dismissed on the 23d of last May. Mr. F. commenced his labors on the 1st of July, and reports that "during this time both the congregation and the Sabbath school have been gradually increased." No farther assistance will probably be needed.

41. The past year is only the second that this congregation have had the entire services of a minister; and already there is seen the good effects of it in the increasing attendance on public worship and in the Sabbath school.

42. "In regard to externals," writes the missionary, "our prosperity was never greater." In spiritual things there is not a corresponding improvement. Still, the word is listened to with solemnity, and appears to be not without its effect.

43. After the dismissal of Mr. P. last May, there was only occasional preaching, till a neighboring pastor supplied them a few Sabbaths in the winter, while his own church was undergoing repairs; and God poured out his Spirit, and gave better hopes than this field has ever before seen.

44. This church was received under patronage at the time of its organization in 1823, and had been aided 17 years, when its connection with the society ceased in 1847. Its present state of dependence, it is believed, will be of short duration.

45. At the end of his last missionary year, the declining state of the society, and the discouraging prospect of subsequent increase, induced the pastor, though reluctantly, to resign his post. Much uncertainty hangs over the future destiny of this little flock.

46. This long-assisted church and society have seemingly awoke to a new life. They have with great unanimity called Mr. B. to become their pastor, and are exerting themselves with unwonted vigor to provide the means of his support.

47. Mr. T. immediately succeeded Mr. Newton, who was compelled, by reason of impaired health, to relinquish his pastoral charge. A continual emigration keeps the society weak, and the congregation small.

48. Over \$900 have been raised within the year for repairs on the sanctuary,—which is the principal reason why the Home Missionary aid could not be relinquished, as was anticipated when the last report was made.

49. This infant church continues feeble, but its members are all united, and much attached to the ordinances of the gospel. Mr. Peck is but a temporary successor to Mr. Fyve, who left his commission unfinished in October.

50. No material changes are reported, except a gradual diminution of the congregation, occasioned by death and emigration. In addition to the annual contributions, is a legacy of \$300 to Home and Foreign Missions.

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51. WASHINGTON.	Rev. F. Norwood,	P.	Oct. 1, 1849	12	50									
52. WILLIAMSTOWN, South.	Rev. J. A. Hazen,	P.	June 1, 1850	12	100	100	56					50	10 00	10 00
53. YARMOUTH, West.	Rev. John H. Wells,	P.	Jan. 1, 1851	12	100	90	49			1		46	1 00	

## REMARKS ON THE ABOVE.

51. It was expected by the Directors of the Berkshire Auxiliary, that missionary aid would cease on the 1st of last October. The Committee regret to learn that untoward events will probably delay that result for another year.

52. This society is small, but well united, and eager to possess the ministry of the word. A flourishing boarding school for boys constitutes an interesting and hopeful portion of the pastoral charge.

53. During most of the past year, this church and society were engaged in fruitless endeavors to obtain a pastor. Mr. W. came in January, and was installed in March. The prospect of his usefulness and their upbuilding is uncommonly flattering.

## SUMMARY.

*Fields of Labor.*—The Society has had under its care the past year, in Massachusetts, 53 missionary fields, comprising 1,500 families; which have furnished, in the aggregate, about 6,000 habitual attendants on public worship, 4,000 Sabbath school pupils, and 2,300 church members. It will be seen that the number of assisted churches is the same as reported last year; for although 4 on that list have disappeared, 4 others have taken their places on this. The Committee, however, are happy to announce that 5 of those now reported have relinquished their hold on the Society since the year began; so that the number actually receiving aid at present is only 48, while 17 of these have found themselves able to assume an *increased* proportion of their minister's support, since the last annual meeting.

*Additions to the Churches.*—The additions made to the churches during the year amount to 172—viz., 66 by profession, and 106 by letter. The congregations and Sabbath schools have also increased.

*Revivals of Religion.*—But the most decisive token of divine favor is found in the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on several of the feeblest of these missionary flocks, and the hopeful conversion of 130 souls, in them all, as reported on the 1st of April. Some of these operations have indicated the presence of unusual power from above. In Pelham, after the pastor had gone away discouraged, and the Executive Committee had nearly abandoned the hope of being able to save the church from extinction, the arm of the Lord wrought salvation,—though not without the use of human

agency. Besides the labors of several students from Amherst College, a neighboring pastor, while his own meeting-house was undergoing repairs, took the oversight of this forsaken flock, for three weeks. At the close of his gratuitous labors he reported as follows :—"I have preached seventeen sermons there in all, and visited eighty-one families. My visit appears to have been *very* opportune and providential. The congregation on the last Sabbath numbered one hundred and sixty, and the Sabbath school one hundred and twenty. I found some forty hopeful conversions, and others in an inquiring state. \* \* \* I have become much interested in that field. The service which I have been enabled to perform in it, is a very humble one, but I felt that, from its nature, it was *peculiarly pleasing to Christ*. I never before realized (and wonder that I did not) what a special sympathy the Saviour must feel with *a feeble, struggling church*."

*Collections for Benevolent Objects.*—The returns of charitable contributions this year are less complete than usual. Only thirty-six reports mention the sums given. These amount to more than two thousand dollars, and are fully equal to the contributions from the same churches last year. Most of the others are known to have made collections; but not all;—*there are five congregations that contributed nothing to any object of benevolence through the whole year!*

*New Meeting-Houses.*—Nearly all these mission churches have before supplied themselves with commodious houses of worship. Only one has been erected the past year, though several thousand dollars have been paid in liquidation of meeting-house debts. The idea of building meeting-houses by begging the means, has become nearly obsolete in Massachusetts, as the thing itself is almost impracticable in an age so pregnant with greater necessities.

#### **Efforts of Feeble Churches to sustain themselves.**

The average amount of missionary aid appropriated the past year to each assisted parish, has been one hundred and twenty-five dollars. Deduct this from the average salary of their ministers, (four hundred and forty-four dollars,) and it leaves three hundred and nineteen dollars as the average sum which each has furnished for ministerial support. This amounts to just *one per cent.* of their average valuation, (thirty-two thousand dollars,) as obtained from the town assessors' books. It is to be observed, however, that among these feeble parishes, as among the members composing each, there are some that cheerfully go beyond this standard of effort, while others are hardly persuaded to make even an attempt to reach it.

The first of these classes is well represented by the *West Parish in Hawley*, which is mentioned in the table as having relinquished its

hold on this Society during the year. The following extract from the pastor's final report, describes the method of effecting it.

"My report, due the first of November, would have been sent sooner, but for an effort of this congregation to rise to independency. The matter was brought before them on the last Sabbath in October. This was cordially responded to in an informal meeting of the society the next day. The result is, that an amount of funds sufficient to meet the society's expenses for the present year has been raised. But a few days previous to this effort the congregation had raised seventy dollars to improve the singing. The amount contributed the last year, for the various benevolent societies, is sixty-seven dollars and fifty cents.

"In company with one of the assessors I have just looked at the valuation of this society on the assessors' books. We find it less than twenty-five thousand dollars. Scarcely one-third of this is in the hands of church-members; while just about one-third the members of the society *owe*. So that, in reality, the amount of property, real and personal, free from debt, does not exceed seventeen thousand dollars, according to valuation. Yet, with ordinary prosperity, the society hope in future to be able promptly to meet all current expenses, and to be *always on the list of donors*.

"The congregation in West Hawley, before the communion table on the first Sabbath in November, publicly expressed their *deep sense of gratitude* to the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society for their paternal watch, care and aid, during the twenty years of their perilous infancy and childhood."

In contrast with cases like this, there are others where charitable aid is never relinquished so long as importunity can avail to obtain it,—parishes that, after receiving help as long as this in West Hawley, will make no attempt at self-support, till missionary support is refused,—people who, when thrown upon their own resources, will shut their sanctuary and forego the blessings of "the glorious gospel," rather than pay one per cent. of their taxable property to enjoy them. Such cases, though rare, are *real*, and constitute the chief ground of difficulty in "the administration of this service." As often as a case of this kind occurs, the Committee are of course compelled, either to disoblige *one* society by adhering to an impartial and uniform course, or to disgust *all others* by deviating from it.

#### Changes in the Ministry.

No less than 16—or nearly *one-third*—of these churches, have exchanged their ministers during the year. Only 27, out of the 53, now have pastors set over them. The remaining 26 are depending on

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what are called "stated supplies,"—an order of teachers not known to the primitive church, but so multiplied in our day, that a fastidious flock can have a new minister as often as a new moon. These ceaseless changes are not peculiar to our weak churches, though, on account of their weakness, *they* are the least able to bear them. About one-quarter of the Orthodox Congregational churches in the State are furnished with stated supplies; while, of the 360 pastors that were reported to the last General Association, 234, or nearly *two-thirds*, have been settled within the last ten years. So that the youthful minister who was ordained in the spring of 1841, provided he has kept his parish till this time, can survey the 460 or more churches in Massachusetts with which his is affiliated, and find but 126 whose present ministers are his seniors in pastoral age! This is not all the fault of ministers. Perhaps the worst, certainly the most discouraging feature of the case is its resemblance to a fault concerning which, after rebuking it severely in the citizens of Jerusalem, the prophet immediately adds, "*And my people LOVE TO HAVE IT SO.*" There are known to be able and influential churches among us that dispense with the pastoral office from choice, and annually renew the ministerial contract—if indeed they wish it continued beyond one year—just as any other corporation bargains with an agent or an operative.

The Committee make no apology for calling public attention to this subject, as though it fell without their appropriate sphere. It is a prolific source of the evils which they are called to meet. It is the *cause*, more frequently than the *consequence*, of that weakness in the churches, which brings them upon this Society for help. Whatever may be said of the harmless, or even beneficial effects, of ministerial rotation when reduced to method, as it is in a large and highly respectable denomination of Christians among us, *our* clerical changes can never be subjected to the action of any such rule; for our churches will never surrender the appointment of their religious teachers, any more than the choice of their civil rulers, to the will of others.

#### Unreclaimed Wastes in Massachusetts.

That the patrons of the Society may see that there is some land yet to be possessed in this privileged and Puritan State, the following extracts from one of the missionary's quarterly reports are offered.

"In rendering my report for the quarter ending to-day, I am induced to depart from my usual custom of giving an account of the condition and prospects of my flock, in order that I may present to you a slight sketch of the moral waste with which they are surrounded. I have heard of a good father in the ministry who, one Sabbath after-

noon, surprised and afflicted his people with the intelligence that he was about *going to the heathen*. In the sequel it appeared that he was only intending to visit a certain section of his parish.

"Now I have not been among the Hindoos, nor Chinese, nor among barbarians of any nation. I have been visiting entirely within the precincts of the town in which I live; and among those who, in general intelligence, politeness and hospitality, will compare favorably with the inhabitants of any town in the county; but who, in one point, sadly resemble the heathen—*they neglect the worship of God*.

"I found in one school district of twenty-one families, only two families that habitually attend meeting on the Sabbath. From two others the younger members are occasionally found there. In an adjoining district there are about twenty-five families, of which twenty almost entirely neglect the sanctuary. From another neighborhood, containing thirty-one families, only one can, in any sense, be deemed a church-going household. In another part of the town there is a school district composed of twenty-five families. Two of these are regular in their attendance, and one individual from another family in the district sometimes attends; and this is all. In another neighborhood of twenty-five households, five are church-going.

"So far as I can learn, there are about 230 families in the town, 59 of which generally have delegates in the sanctuary on pleasant Sabbaths; and 16 others are represented there occasionally. There are about 1,300 inhabitants; and I am confident that in the finest weather and best traveling there are not found, in all the congregations in town, 250 souls,—and more than half of those, who attend three of the meetings, come from neighboring towns."

To this statement the missionary subjoins a brief but adequate view of the causes which contributed to change the once exemplary church-going habits of this community, to the degenerate state here described. These causes are the same that have turned scores of other towns in Massachusetts into similar wastes. Most of them have long since been recovered through the agency of this Society; while others are still in the condition in which this field was found, a few years ago, when the attempt was made to restore an evangelical ministry. There can be no reasonable doubt that missionary funds are as appropriately expended in recovering such moral wastes in Massachusetts, as in *Asia Minor*.

#### Aspect of the Field at large.

The operations here reported within the limits of our own little State, important as they are in themselves, and still more important in their relations, have absorbed but a small part of our funds. More than *four-fifths* of the receipts from Massachusetts have been appropriated

to the AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY, at New York, to aid in evangelizing the almost boundless field that has fallen under the care of that truly National Institution. Their late Annual Report, which every patron of this Society will be eager to read, shows that we have been laboring together with a great multitude, in the production of vast results; that through these combined instrumentalities, 1,065 ministers of the gospel have preached the word, in four different languages, to 1,820 congregations and missionary districts, in whole or in part, at stated seasons, amounting in all to 853 consecutive years; that under their ministry, 3,096 souls have been hopefully converted, 6,678 members added to the churches, 60 houses of worship built, 40 more begun, and \$21,513 contributed to various objects of Christian benevolence by only 577 of these feeble congregations. The figures here given, show 33 more missionaries, and 245 more missionary fields, than the Society has ever before had under its care in a single year; while its *receipts*—amounting in all to \$150,940 25—have fallen \$6,220 53 *below* those of the year preceding, in consequence of an unusual paucity of legacies. The fact, however, that the receipts from the churches—the regular channels of contribution—exceed those of any previous year, encourages the hope that God is putting it into the hearts of his people to enlarge their liberality as he enlarges their work.

#### God's Hand in Home Missions.

The history of Home Missions in this country has, from the first, been the history of great effects from little causes. Every movement has been like the silent and hidden, but resistless action of leaven—bringing out results which we can trace to no adequate cause, without supposing the unseen hand of God employed in their production. The fact that a new church can be planted and reared in an old waste, or an infant settlement, during the brief period of *seven* years, and at an annual cost to the Missionary Society of only \$165 per annum; the fact that several thousands of evangelical churches in our land have actually been brought up to a self-supporting condition at this trifling expense, and by this short process, since the Home Missionary enterprise commenced,—these facts proclaim the existence of an energy more than human. They indicate the presence of an all-powerful, though an invisible agency.

But of late that agency has assumed a form more visible and impressive. Means the most unexpected have been brought into requisition. Operations and events which, to human view, seemed adapted only to *impede* the progress of the Gospel, have been made subservient to its broader extension. The thirst for war, and the thirst for wealth, have opened channels through which the waters of salvation are flowing



forth to those who thirst for righteousness. Moloch and Mammon have been compelled to render unwilling tribute to Jesus Christ. Multitudes, who neither fear God nor regard man, are now laboriously occupied in "preparing the way of the Lord," though, like the proud Assyrian, "*they mean not so.*"

We need only allude to facts which "are known and read of all men" throughout this astonished nation. And why should it awaken our astonishment that He who exacts praise from "dragons and all deeps; fire and hail; snow and vapor and stormy wind fulfilling his word," should also make the wrath of man praise him? The fact that he *does*, and that, in peopling and evangelizing this land, he is pleased to give a special demonstration of this prerogative, should arouse us to new effort, as it lays a new foundation of hope in regard to the final issue. It intimates the earnestness of his purpose, and the amplitude of his resources. It presses home to our doubting hearts the question, "Is ANYTHING TOO HARD FOR THE LORD."

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr.      The Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in account with Benjamin Perkins, Treasurer.      Cr.

To paid Missionaries the past year, . . . . .	\$6,354 58	By balance last year, . . . . .	\$1,014 63
" American Home Missionary Society, . . . . .	24,000 00	" Contributions, Legacies, &c., . . . . .	30,267 81
" Agency, Traveling Expenses, and Incidental, . . . . .	1,046 27	" Received on Mortgage and Bank Stock, . . . . .	395 00
" A. B. C. F. M. from Mrs. Osborne's Fund, . . . . .	80 00	" Income from Fund, . . . . .	900 80
" Balance to new account, . . . . .	1,177 39	" " Mrs. Osborne's Fund, . . . . .	80 00
	<u>\$32,658 24</u>		<u>\$32,658 24</u>

Boston, May 16, 1861.

Errors Excepted,

BENJAMIN PERKINS, TREASURER.

Boston, May 26, 1860. I have this day examined the account of Benjamin Perkins, Esq., Treasurer of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, and find the same well vouched and correctly cast.

JULIUS A. PALMER, AUDITOR.

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(C) The Donations are arranged under the several Auxiliary Societies, or Conferences, within whose limits the donors reside, whether received through these local channels or not. Where no such Auxiliary is found, the donations from within the bounds of each clerical Association are grouped together.

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<i>Harwich</i> , Mrs. Mercy Rogers,	2 00
<i>Orleans</i> , Cong. Soc.	21 00
<i>Provincetown</i> , Cong. Soc.	15 83
<i>Sandwich</i> , Calv. Cong. Soc.	30 75
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<i>Lee</i> , Cong. Soc.	138 30
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South Par. Cong. Soc.	25 00
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Ladies' Sewing Circle, to const. Mrs. L. Farwell, Mrs. E. Andrews, Mrs. S. Sawtelle, Miss M. Holt, and Miss N. E. Holden, L. Membs.	153 00
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<i>Lancaster</i> , Ev. Cong. Soc.	27 38
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Rev. Mr. Huntington's Soc.	54 00

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 Whittin, Paul, Northbridge  
 Whittlemore, Benjamin F., Boston  
 Whittlemore, Mrs B. F., do.  
 Whittlemore, B. F. Jr., do.  
 Wight, Rev Daniel, Scituate  
 Wilbur, Rev Hervey, Newburyport  
 Wilbur, Joseph, Taunton

Wilder, Charles W., Winchester  
 \*Wilder, Rev John, Marshall, Mich.  
 Wilkinson, Rev R., Abington  
 Willard, Mrs Lucy, Cambridge  
 Williams, Rev A., Dudley  
 Williams, Miss Abby, Taunton  
 Williams, Rev Dillon, Feedinghills  
 Williams, Joseph, Newburyport  
 \*Williams, Rev S. P., do.  
 Williams, Thomas S., Winchester  
 Willis, Nathaniel, Boston  
 Williston, Samuel, Easthampton  
 \*Wisner, Benjamin B., D. D., Boston  
 Wood, Mrs Abby M., Athol  
 Wood, Aaron, Westminster  
 Wood, B. F., do.  
 Wood, Rev C. W., Ashby  
 Wood, Mrs Catharine S., do.  
 \*Wood, Mrs E. A. W., do.  
 Wood, Horatio G., Middleboro'  
 Wood, Rev Luke, Somers, Ct.  
 Wood, Mrs Polly, Enfield  
 Wood, Mrs Zenas, do.  
 Wood, S. F., Chelmsford  
 Woodbridge, John D. D., Hadley  
 \*Woodbury, Rev B., Falmouth  
 Woodbury, Rev James T., Acton  
 Woodman, Joseph, Newburyport  
 Woods, Leonard, D. D., Andover  
 \*Worcester, Samuel, D. D., Salem  
 Worcester, Samuel M., D. D., do.  
 Worcester, Mrs Z., do.  
 Wright, Albert J., Boston  
 Wright, Mrs Martha, Phillipston  
 Wyman, Marshall, Woburn  
 Yale, Mrs Sarah S., South Reading

### Rules, Regulations, and By-Laws.

The *Rules, Regulations* and *By-Laws* of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society may be summarily stated thus:—

1. To assist feeble churches and societies in sustaining their ministers.
2. To give only such aid as will meet the deficiency after they have paid at least *one per cent.* of their taxable property.
3. In no case to grant over \$200 per annum to the same missionary flock.
4. To afford help only to such as, by reason of *distance*, cannot go to other churches of their own order.
5. To pledge no sum of money for a longer period than one year.
6. To require of each missionary a statistical report of his field annually; and quarterly reports if he desires quarterly payments.
7. To require feeble churches to fulfill their engagements with their pastors each year before they renew their application for aid.

In applying these general rules, which, of course, must be modified somewhat to meet all conceivable cases, the Committee usually give the strongest encouragement to such parishes as (other things being equal) have *settled pastors*; and the least to those which subsist on occasional supplies;—while they have ceased to make any appropriation at all where the preacher does not reside among the people.



### AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

It is respectfully requested, that when auxiliary societies are formed, information may be given immediately to the Secretary, with the names and residences of the officers of such societies—and a copy of the constitution, and the names of the towns or parishes (if more than one) included within their limits.

It is also requested, that they report progress once a year—immediately after their annual meeting—or before the first of May. The grounds of these requests are :

1. That the Executive Committee may know how much ground is occupied in the State by auxiliaries—and how much is unorganized.
2. That they may know with whom to correspond officially—and how to make arrangements for delegations to the annual meetings of auxiliaries.
3. That they may forward the Annual Reports of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, and of the American Home Missionary Society, to the several auxiliaries—and also the "Home Missionary" to each association contributing ten dollars or more annually to the funds of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

*Unless special directions be given to the contrary, these publications will be forwarded by mail.*

### APPLICATIONS FOR AID.

It is expected that any feeble congregation desiring aid in supporting the gospel, will regard the following particulars in their application :

1. The number of members in the church.
2. The number of families or polls in the society.
3. The whole population of the town or parish.
4. The number usually attending public worship, or the number that may be expected to attend.
5. The amount of property belonging to members of the society, as rated on the State bill, or town valuation.
6. The amount supposed necessary for a minister's support.
7. The mode of collection—whether by tax or voluntary subscription.
8. The utmost amount that can be secured for the object, within the limits of the society.
9. The least amount that must be derived from other sources.
10. The probable length of time for which charitable aid will be needed.

A written statement on these topics, signed by a committee of the church or society, is required, and the correctness of the statement is to be vouched by two or three neighboring ministers, who are expected at the same time to certify that in their opinion the request for assistance ought to be granted.

### FORM OF A BEQUEST TO THE MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

I give unto the Treasurer of the "Massachusetts Home Missionary Society," the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ dollars, for the purposes of said Society, and for which the receipt of such Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge.

Some important legacies have been lost to the cause of Home Missions, through inattention to the legal name of the Society, to which they were given.

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FIFTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Massachusetts Home Missionary Society,

PRESENTED MAY 25, 1852.

## Rules, Regulations and By-Laws of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

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"As the object of the Society is to diffuse the knowledge of the Gospel of Jesus Christ among the heathen and others in destitute places," they therefore agree to adopt the following Rules, &c.

ARTICLE I. The officers of the Society shall be a President, Vice President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and twenty Trustees, chosen annually by ballot.

II. It shall be the duty of the President to regulate the meetings of the Society, and, *ex-officio*, to act as one of the Board of Trustees; seven of whom shall constitute a quorum for business, at any meeting regularly convened.

III. The Trustees shall, immediately after each Annual Meeting of the Society, appoint an Executive Committee of seven, (including the Secretary and Treasurer,) residing in Boston and its vicinity; four of whom shall be a quorum at any regular meeting. This Committee shall have power to appoint its own meetings, form its own rules of business, fill any vacancy in its own number which may occur during the year, and convene special meetings of the Trustees or Society: they shall examine and appoint Missionaries, and direct them as to their labors;—it being understood that none shall be employed as Missionaries, except those who exhibit credible evidence of experimental piety, and of that Christian zeal, wisdom, information and diligence, which are adequate to the arduous work of Evangelists, in the most self-denying circumstances. This Committee shall also manage and dispose of the Society's property, and transact all the concerns of the Society, not otherwise assigned; and shall make report, at each Annual Meeting, of the labor and success of the Missionaries, and exhibit a particular account of their own transactions.

IV. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to conduct the correspondence of the Society, keep an accurate record of its proceedings, and exhibit them whenever required.

V. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and hold the property of the Society, to answer the orders of the Executive Committee, and to make a report at every Annual Meeting of the Society. He shall also give bonds, from time to time, to such amount as the Executive Committee shall think proper.

VI. Any person may become a Member of this Society by paying two dollars to the Treasurer for the use of the Society; and shall be considered as retaining his membership and obliged to pay two dollars annually, until his desire to discontinue his connection with the Society be expressed to the Treasurer. Any person may become a Life Member of this Society by paying into the treasury thirty dollars at one time.

VII. The Society shall meet at Boston to transact their annual business on the Tuesday preceding the last Wednesday in May, of each year, at ten o'clock, A. M.

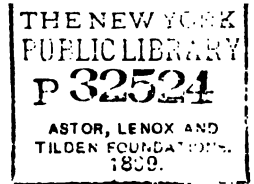
A public meeting shall also be held annually in the same city, on the evening of the same day; to be conducted in such manner as the Executive Committee shall direct; and an annual sermon shall be preached at the time and place of the meeting of the General Association of Massachusetts, by some person appointed by said Association, and a collection taken in aid of the funds of the Society. An annual delegation may be sent to the General Association of Massachusetts, on such terms as may be agreed upon by the two bodies.

VIII. These Rules and Regulations shall be subject to any amendments and improvements which this Society shall think proper to adopt; but no amendments shall be adopted, except by the vote of two-thirds of the members present at an annual meeting; nor unless the same shall have been recommended by the Executive Committee.

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IX. The Executive Committee meet regularly on the second Tuesday in June, September, December and March, at their room, 29 Cornhill, Boston; and all items of business requiring their action should be communicated to the Secretary in writing previous to the day of their meeting.

FIFTY-THIRD



# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

**Massachusetts Home Missionary Society,**

PRESENTED BY THE

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

AT THE

**ANNIVERSARY MEETING IN BOSTON, MAY 26, 1852.**



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## NOTICES.

ALL communications intended for the Executive Committee, and any correspondence relating to the general interests of the Society, may be addressed to Rev. JOSEPH S. CLARK, Secretary, No. 28 Cornhill, Boston.

All remittances of money, and whatever communications relate to the pecuniary concerns of the Board, may be made to BENJAMIN PERKINS, Esq., Treasurer, No. 113 Washington Street, Boston.

Persons, in any part of the State, wishing to become Life Members or Life Directors of the American Home Missionary Society—or to make donations in any form to its funds, can transmit their donations through the treasury of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

Life Membership in the American Home Missionary Society, is *thirty dollars*.

Life Directorship in the do. do. do. is *one hundred dollars*.

Life Membership in the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, is *thirty dollars*.

[ ] The Secretaries of Auxiliary Societies, are earnestly requested to forward copies of their Annual Reports, without delay, to the Secretary of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, No. 28 Cornhill, Boston. Also to furnish a list of the Officers chosen at each annual meeting. Compliance with these requests will enable the Committee of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society to furnish, in connection with their Annual Report, a satisfactory account of the state and progress of each Auxiliary.

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[ ] It is sent *gratis* to Life Members, Missionaries, and Auxiliary Associations of either Society; to all pastors whose congregations contribute any sum annually to either treasury; to all persons who serve as collectors; and to each donor of \$10 annually who signifies a wish to receive it. Application may be made to the Treasurer, who is Agent for the distribution of the Home Missionary in Massachusetts.

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**STANDING RULE.**—The Missionary who makes his Reports to the Secretary of the Society *quarterly*, shall be entitled to quarterly drafts on the Treasury. Those who report *semi-annually*, shall be entitled to semi-annual drafts. Those who fail to render an *Annual Report on or before the first day of APRIL*, shall thereby forfeit the patronage of the Society, unless a sufficient excuse be rendered. In the Annual Report, definite answers to the following questions are required.

1. What is the number of rateable polls—also families—in your society?
2. What is the amount of your Society's valuation on the town assessors' book?
3. What proportion of it is in the hands of church members?
4. What aid do you receive from persons in your congregation not connected with your society?
5. What productive funds has your society?
6. What is your stipulated salary?
7. How is it raised—by tax or subscription?
8. Is it punctually paid?
9. What is the average number in your Sabbath congregations?
10. What is the number of your church members—male—female?
11. What additions during the year ending April 1st—by profession—by letter?
12. What the number of baptisms—adult—infant?
13. How many hopeful conversions have occurred?
14. What is the number in your Sabbath school and Bible class?
15. What progress has been made in temperance?
16. What is the amount of contributions to the Mass. Home Missionary Society?
17. What the amount contributed to all other religious charities?
18. What special encouragements or discouragements have you in your labors?

[In answering these inquiries, it will only be necessary to refer to their numerical designation, without transcribing them.]

## ANNUAL MEETING.

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Boston, May 25, 1852.

THE *Fifty-third* Annual Meeting of the MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY was held this day, at 10 o'clock, in the room of the Secretary.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. LEONARD WOODS, D. D., the President of the Society, and Rev. J. W. WARD was chosen scribe.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary.

The Treasurer, BENJAMIN PERKINS, Esq., presented his Report, duly audited, which was accepted.

*Voted*, That extracts from the Report of the Executive Committee be read at the public meeting this evening by the Secretary, and that the Report be then printed under their direction.

*Voted*, That Rev. Messrs. M. BADGER, D. D., S. M. WORCESTER, D. D. and W. HOLBROOK, be a Committee to nominate a list of officers for the ensuing year. Their nomination was adopted by vote, and is as follows, (see next page.)

*Voted*, That the SECRETARY and Rev. E. MALTEY, of Taunton, be delegates from this body to the General Association of Massachusetts, to meet in June, at Lowell.

*Voted*, That the Society adjourn to meet in the Hall of the Lowell Institute, at 7½ o'clock this evening, to attend the public exercises of the Anniversary.

J. W. WARD, *Scribe*.

## PUBLIC MEETING.

The President in the chair, the services were opened, at the appointed hour, by prayer from Rev. MILTON BADGER, D. D., Secretary of the American Home Missionary Society, New York.

A brief abstract of the Fifty-third Annual Report was read by the Secretary, followed by the singing of the 72d Psalm by the congregation, under the direction of Mr. N. Broughton, Jr., of the Mount Vernon Choir.

An able and highly appropriate discourse was preached by Rev. EDWARD HITCHCOCK, D. D., President of Amherst College, from Matt. xiii. 33: *The kingdom of heaven is like unto leaven, which a woman took, and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened*,—illustrating, in a clear and felicitous manner, the influence of the gospel on the religious character and destiny of mankind.

After prayer by the preacher, and the singing of the doxology by the congregation, the assembly was dismissed with the benediction, by the President.



## OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY.

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REV. LEONARD WOODS, D. D.

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## ANNUAL REPORT.

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**"SPEAK** unto the children of Israel that they go forward," was the command of Jehovah to Moses when he cried unto Him for help. And this is the ever repeated answer of God to the Executive Committee of this Society, when, in their lack of wisdom, they look unto Him. The delivery of this message in their first Address to the public, more than half a century ago, and its varied repetition in every subsequent Report, have been in strict compliance with a divine command;—a command which, though heard only in the voice of Providence, is no less intelligible than those articulate words in which it was first given at the Red Sea. And it is because this message has been heeded by the people, that each returning anniversary becomes an ovation to the church, and not a memorial of her bondage.

Yet, after all the conquests that have been achieved, surpassing in greatness and glory our highest hopes—having already "in the name of the Lord set up our banners" far beyond the utmost limits of the original field of American Home Missions—the voice still comes in louder and deeper tones, **GO FORWARD**. It comes from the "old wastes," not yet all reclaimed, in the East. It comes from the new settlements springing up daily in the West. It comes from innumerable cities and villages, waking suddenly into life on the golden sands of the Pacific shores, three thousand miles off.

The Executive Committee of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society would be false to their trust, and its patrons disobedient to their God, could they disregard this voice, from whatever section of

the field it comes. But the details of this **FIFTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT** must be limited, as those of the fifty-two preceding have been, chiefly to the humble sphere of operations within the bounds of our own little State.

### **The Treasury.**

At the close of the last financial year, May 16, 1851, there was a balance of \$1,177 39 remaining in the Treasurer's hands. During the subsequent twelve months he has received from all sources, \$29,549 29. Within the same period he has paid to missionaries laboring in Massachusetts, \$4,825 19; for incidental expenses, \$1,092 17; and remitted to the American Home Missionary Society at New York, \$24,000. To this last item add \$6,860 78, contributed directly to that Society, without passing through the Treasury of this, but devoted to the same object with the rest, and the total sum realized to the cause of Home Missions within the bounds of Massachusetts, is \$36,230 07,—of which \$30,759 28, or nearly *six-sevenths* of the whole, has been disbursed on the great field beyond.

As compared with those of the previous year, the receipts of this are a little less; though the diminished necessities of our own State have enabled the Executive Committee to bestow a larger proportion than ever before in meeting the enlarged demands of Providence in other and more needy sections of the field.\*

### **Systematic Contributions.**

The experience of every year confirms the fact, that the Society's main reliance for funds is based on systematic collections annually taken up, either in the congregation on the Sabbath, or from house to house through the parish, at stated seasons. Nearly two-thirds of all our donations are derived from this source. And, as it is impossible for your Secretary to visit more than one-fifth of the churches in a single year—supposing that he had nothing else to do—it follows that

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\* The discrepancy between this financial statement, and that which appears in the Report of the American Home Missionary Society for the past year, under the head of **AUXILIARIES**, [see page 9,] arises from the different periods of time embraced within the two Reports,—a difference of ten weeks. It would be a rare coincidence if the receipts and expenditures for twelve months, from March 1 to March 1, should ever be precisely equal to those from May 15 to May 15; but, in the present instance, the inequality is unusually great. It will be seen that the whole amount of receipts from Massachusetts, for the year ending March 1st, was "\$41,804 58,—more than one quarter of the total income of the Parent Society for that period."

these collections must come chiefly from the spontaneous action of the people, stimulated and sustained from year to year by no other agency than that of the pastors. And it gives the Committee great pleasure to acknowledge, that, in about *three-fourths* of the congregations where such collections were taken up the past year, no other agency was employed ; and in almost every instance the result shows that no other is *needed*, where this can be had. At the same time it must be reluctantly confessed, that it cannot, as yet, in all cases, *be* had. The Committee have tried to resist this conviction, and to strengthen their wavering hope, that a cause so sacred, so identified with the life and growth of Christianity in the land, might be left to the spontaneous workings of Christian principle,—at least for an annual contribution to its funds. But it now appears, on investigation, that out of our 467 churches, only 285 have made a collection for Home Missions during the past year—leaving 182 (or about *two-fifths* of the whole) who “came not up to the help of the Lord ; to the help of the Lord against the mighty.” It is true, that, in some of these, there are associations of benevolent females, who, with characteristic constancy of affection, remembered this cause ; but no general collection came from the congregation. Had all these made their collections with the rest, and on an equal scale of liberality, we might send at least *fifty* more missionaries immediately among the people now perishing for lack of vision in the destitute portions of our land. It cannot be supposed that in many cases this was a designed, premeditated neglect. It was rather an inadvertent omission. Probably in nine cases out of ten, the mere proposal of a collection by the pastor or a leading member of the church, at the appropriate time, would have met with a favoring response ; and a few earnest remarks in commendation of it, would have secured a generous donation—provided a fair opportunity had been given. Is it impossible longer to hope that every minister of Jesus Christ, whose ordination vows bind him to this, as a part of his sacred trust, will give to his flock an opportunity once a year of “ministering to the necessities of the saints ?”

#### Summary of Results.

The following table presents a condensed view of missionary operations in Massachusetts for the year now closing. In the column of missionaries, *p.* denotes *pastor*, and *s. s.* *stated supply*. The design of the other columns is sufficiently indicated by their respective headings.

Churches and Missionaries.	Date of Commission.	Length of com.	Dollars appropri- d.	Average cong'n.	Church members. Added by prof.	Added by letter.	Reported conv.	Infants baptized.	Sch. sch. & B. sch.	Contrib. to Home Missions.	Contrib. to other objects.
1. ADAMS, South. Rev. J. Jay Dasa, P.	April 1, 1851	19	175	150	79	7			75	30 00	30 00
2. ALFORD. Rev. G. Hayden, & c.	May 1, 1851	19	150		25				40		
3. ASHBURNHAM, North. Rev. A. A. Whitmore, P.	June 1, 1851	19	100	90	65			1	60	5 00	19 00
4. BARNSTABLE, Hyannis. Rev. N. Cogswell, & c.	Jan. 1, 1852	2	50		35						
5. BILLERICA. Rev. J. G. D. Stearns, P.	April 1, 1851	12	50	100	30	2	2	5	70	25 00	25 00
6. BOSTON, German Evang. Rev. Louis B. Schwartz, P.	Nov. 17, 1851	19	300	100	77	9	7	25	75	20 00	70 00
7. BURLINGTON. Rev. H. G. Park, P.	May 14, 1851	12	100	120	50			1	40		
8. CAMBRIDGE, East. Rev. F. T. Perkins, P.	Jan. 1, 1851	19	75	170	60	1	4	4	100		301 00
9. CANTON. Rev. Solomon Clark, P.	July 1, 1851	19	300	120	30	1	2	2	50		12 00
10. CARLISLE. Rev. S. W. Banister, P.	April 1, 1851	19	100	90	53	1	2	2	60	10 00	45 00
11. CHESTER, Factories. Rev. John C. Strong, & c.	May 22, 1851	0	50	100	20				50		
12. CHESTER, Village. Rev. P. K. Clark, P.	May 1, 1851	19	100	150	50	11	1	2	70	75 00	150 00
13. DANA, Storrsville. Rev. John Keep, P.	Jan. 1, 1852	19	150	100	44		2	1	100	0 00	20 75
14. DOUGLAS. Rev. David Holman, & c.	April 1, 1851	19	100	75	50		2			3 00	
15. DOVER. Rev. John Haskell, P.	June 30, 1851	19	125	75	40	11	2	1	45	10 00	15 00
16. EASTHAM. Rev. Simeon Bailey, & c.	Mar. 15, 1851	19	50	100	30				50		25 00
17. GLOUCESTER, North. Rev. Edwin Seabury, & c.	Aug. 12, 1851	19	175	175	41	5	1	2	75		20 50
18. GLOUCESTER, West. Rev. Levi Wheaton, P.	July 12, 1851	19	175	100	41		4		50		
19. HAVERHILL, East. Rev. Wales Lewis, P.	May 26, 1851	19	125	100	90	1	1		40	15 00	15 00
20. HINGHAM. Rev. E. Porter Dyer, P.	Sept. 15, 1851	19	300	170	50	1	1	8	70	7 00	72 05
21. HOLLAND. Rev. A. C. Page, P.	July 1, 1851	19	150	90	47			1	50	25 00	15 00
22. HOLTON, 2d church. Rev. W. T. Bacon, & c.	Oct. 12, 1851	19	100	150	12					9 25	
23. KINGSTON. Rev. Joseph Peckham, P.	Sept. 8, 1851	19	75	100	70	1	2		70	33 00	70 00
24. LANCASTER. Rev. Charles Packard, P.	Jan. 1, 1851	19	100	150	75		1		50	20 05	
25. LITTLETON. Rev. D. H. Babcock, P.	Feb. 1, 1852	19	125	65	41	6			50	15 00	65 00

## REMARKS.

1. Nothing but pecuniary reverses deter this Society from relinquishing its dependence on missionary funds, according to the hope expressed in the last Report. A new impulse has been given to the Sabbath school interest by introducing the "Shorter Catechism" as a text-book in the school.
2. The missionary left the field before the 1st of April; consequently no statistical report of the past year's results has been received. It is a secluded spot, beyond the reach of those secular influences which, in other places, often produce sudden and salutary changes.
3. Although no marked religious interest has been apparent, the moral and social habits of the community have been steadily improving. A weekly meeting of ladies, organized for intellectual and benevolent purposes, is sustained with much zeal and profit.
4. This is a thriving seaport village of 2,000 souls, composed chiefly of Unitarians, Bap. and Meth. No Cong'l ministry has ever been employed there, till Mr. C. was induced to try the experiment for 3 months. He reports a cong'n of 75 to 100, who have been permitted to occupy a small Meth home.
5. By a spirited effort, the debt on the meeting-house has been liquidated, and the Society, after a persevering struggle of 23 years, has reached the condition of self-support,—a result which awakens new hope in regard to other long continued applicants for missionary aid.
6. The migratory character of our German population continues to retard this enterprise. About 60 persons, contributing over \$300 towards the gospel's support, have gone to other parts during the year, and their places are filled chiefly by the poor, to whom the gospel must be given.
7. The pastor is nearly discouraged. The Ex. Com. are in doubt about the success of their efforts to help those who will make no greater efforts to help themselves. A general indifference to the ministry of the word has characterized the year, and left a barren result.
8. Mr. P. has been called to another field of labor, and Rev. J. M. Bennett, of Missouri, is expected soon to be installed as his successor. The Soc. has ceased to rely on missionary aid, and has begun to refund on a generous scale, through various channels, the benefactions received through this.
9. Mr. C. was installed in Nov. and gives an encouraging report of his flock. "The S. S. has been steadily growing, and increasing numbers are found in the sanctuary." The chief discouragement is the migratory character of a large portion of the people, as in all manufacturing villages.
10. "One or two cases of hopeful conversion" indicate that God has not forgotten this ancient heritage. The cause of evangelical religion is slowly gaining favor after years of struggle for existence. At no former time has missionary labor been expended with better hopes.
11. Mr. S. divided his labors equally between this place and Littleville, a few miles distant. The latter flock has not been under the patronage of this Society, but paid from their own resources for the proportion of service rendered. No statistical report has been received.
12. Six years of misery, aid, with the blessing of God on the patient and judicious ministry of Mr. C., have availed to bring this ch. to the condition of self-support. The seeds of Chris. benev. here find a congenial soil; and to their assiduous cult. must be ascribed, in great part, the suc. of the enterprise.
13. After 8 years of faithful toil the pastor, for the reason that his salary could no longer be raised. The population of Dana Center, a thriving village one mile from the Storrsville ch. have since pledged the requisite sum on condition that Mr. K. may be stationed there.
14. The missionary reports "two or three hopeful conversions." In all other respects the changes have been unfavorable,—the congregation diminished, the means of ministerial support reduced, the prospects of the future more clouded. The issue is involved in much uncertainty.
15. About one quarter of the present members of the ch. have been added during the past year, as the fruits of a revival which commenced near the close of the year preceding. The pecuniary ability of the Soc. has not proportionally increased, though it has improved.
16. Mr. B. left the field in March, and the flock are again without a shepherd. No perceptible change is reported, and the aspect of this ancient and long assisted church does not seem at present to justify a large expenditure of missionary funds.
17. An additional number of prayer meetings, a growing solemnity in the Sabbath congregations, "the hopeful conversion of two or three souls," together with a vigorous distribution of tracts and religious newspapers, are encouraging items in the missionary's report.
18. The good effects of a settled ministry are already apparent in the increased efforts of the people to sustain the gospel. Our missionary is the only preacher of any denomination in this wide field, and there is a growing interest manifested in him by all classes of the population.
19. Pecuniary reverses compel this parish to ask, and the Ex. Com. to grant, an increased appropriation, which, while it weakens the hope of ultimate self-support, is earnestly recommended by neighboring pastors. The ch. has received an accession of one by profession,—the first for 16 years!
20. An increased attendance on public worship; an enlarged liberality in contributions for objects of benevolence; and the purchase of a church organ at a cost of \$500, (furnished in part by friends abroad,) are gratifying proofs of progress, as compared with any former year.
21. At the request of the Soc. for Mut. Assistance of Chhs. in the Brookfield Assoc. the Com. increased the amount of aid, as compared with the preceding appropriation; with a view to encourage the settlement of a pastor, which has accordingly been effected. No other important change.
22. Rev. A. C. Pierce, the late pastor, was dismissed in June. By a great effort the Soc. have paid off their debt, and sustained preaching, having received some aid therein from the Manuf. Co. and other benevolent individuals. The revival of business would place the Soc. on independent ground.
23. About \$300, furnished chiefly by the ladies, have been expended in repairs on the meeting-house. With much satisfaction to the pastor, this long assisted society have resolved to assume his entire support when his present commission expires.
24. A debt on the meeting-house of \$1,000 has been paid off, and the pastor's entire support assumed by the people of his charge. These events of the past year cannot fail to reassure the friends of H. Missions that their labor is not in vain. No statistical report.
25. The moral power of this ch. increases faster than its numbers and pecuniary means. An efficient "Sewing Circle" tends greatly to foster the spirit of benevolence, which has become a characteristic, and through which its self-sup. will be realized earlier than many others in easier circumstances.

Churches and Missionaries.	Date of Commission.	Length of com.	Dollars approp'd.	Average cong'o.	Church members.	Added by prof.	Added by letter.	Reported conv.	Infants baptized.	Sab. sch. & Bt. cl.	Contrib. to Home Missions.	Contrib. to other objects.
26. MALDEN, <i>South</i> . Rev. Francis G. Pratt, <i>P.</i>	Aug. 19, 1850	12	175	175	52				100	17 50		
27. MARSHFIELD, <i>North</i> . Rev. Sumner Clark, <i>P.</i>	Jan. 1, 1852	12	75	100	40	2	1		80	15 00	11 48	
28. MELROSE. Rev. I. N. Northrup, <i>P.</i>	July 23, 1851	12	175	100	19	3		1	55		12 00	
29. MILTON, <i>Railway Village</i> . Rev. S. W. Cozzens, <i>s. s.</i>	Dec. 9, 1850	12	100	130	19				75			
30. MONTGOMERY. Rev. Hiram Smith, <i>s. s.</i>	Sept. 1, 1851	6	100	50	22				20			
31. NEW BEDFORD, <i>Pacific church</i> . Rev. M. M. Colburn, <i>P.</i>	April 1, 1851	12	200	75	69	7	2		55			
32. NEW SALEM. Rev. W. H. Hayward, <i>P.</i>	Nov. 1, 1851	12	175	70	26	1		1	65		10 00	
33. NORTH CHELSEA. Rev. J. D. Farnsworth, <i>s. s.</i>	July 1, 1851	12	100	90	17				75	15 00	40 00	
34. ORANGE, <i>North</i> . Rev. Willard Jones, <i>s. s.</i>	April 21, 1851	12	200	50	28	5		2	1	40	25 00	9 87
35. ORANGE, <i>South</i> . Rev. M. B. Angier, <i>s. s.</i>	Oct. 29, 1850	12	175	200	51	3		1	175	51 00		
36. PITTSFIELD, <i>Colored Church</i> . Rev. S. Harrison, <i>P.</i>	Oct. 1, 1851	12	100		11				30			
37. PRESCOTT. Rev. E. Birchard, <i>s. s.</i>	Oct. 1, 1851	12	125	50	23				40	6 00	6 00	
38. ROWE. Rev. Jeremiah Pomeroy, <i>s. s.</i>	Mar. 1, 1852	12	150		21							
39. SHUTESBURY. Rev. J. Tisdale, <i>s. s.</i>	Oct. 15, 1851	12	100	80	43			15	1	60	10 00	
40. STOCKBRIDGE, <i>Curtisville</i> . Rev. W. H. Phelps, <i>P.</i>	May 1, 1851	12	75	125	60	1	1	4	105	12 00	73 00	
41. TAUNTON, <i>Squabetty</i> . Rev. Josiah Tucker, <i>s. s.</i>	Mar. 1, 1852	3	50									
42. TISBURY, <i>Holmes's Hall</i> . Rev. Asabel Cobb, <i>s. s.</i>	Jan. 1, 1852	12	150	75	30	1		1	45	15 00	14 00	
43. TRURO, <i>North</i> . Rev. S. J. M. Lord, <i>s. s.</i>	Nov. 17, 1851	12	100	125	25			1	60			
44. WARWICK. Rev. R. C. Hatch, <i>P.</i>	Dec. 23, 1851	12	100	75	56			2	60	30 00	56 75	
45. WASHINGTON. Rev. Francis Norwood, <i>P.</i>	Oct. 1, 1850	12	100									
46. WILLIAMSTOWN, <i>South</i> . Rev. J. A. Hazen, <i>s. s.</i>	June 1, 1851	12	100		56				50			
47. YARMOUTH, <i>West</i> . Rev. John H. Wells, <i>P.</i>	Jan. 1, 1852	12		96	48			1	3	50	7 00	8 00

## REMARKS.

26. This Soc. voluntarily relinquished its dependence on foreign help at the expiration of their pastor's last commission. On review of the 2 years of his ministry then finished, he was permitted to report 25 members received to the church, of which 9 were by profession.

27. Rev. D. D. Tappan, who had greatly endeared himself to this flock by 13 years of successful labor, was dismissed at his own request, in July, and Mr. C. installed soon after. Contrary to expectation the Com. have been desired and induced to make one more small grant.

28. Mr. N. was inst. in Jan., and enters his new field with a prospect of hard toil and large returns. The village is rapidly increasing. The Soc. will have a short day of mis-er's dependence. A classical school of high order is about to be opened, which will give additional importance to the place.

29. The important events of the year are the removal of Mr. C. to another field of labor, the harmonious settlement of a pastor, and the spontaneous relinquishment of missionary aid. No statistical report has been returned.

30. For several years no accessions have been made to the ch. or soc., while death and emigration have been gradually diminishing both. The enemy, too, has been diligently sowing tares. Without some special intervention, more than human, the ordinances of the gospel cannot be continued.

31. To resuscitate, if possible, this fainting ch. after its sore afflictions, the Com. were urged by the neighboring pastors to afford assistance, at least for a year. At the end of the 3d quarter Mr. C. was dismissed, and it is understood that the experiment is not to be continued.

32. The Society still labors under the great disadvantage of having no house of their own for public worship,—a privation which seriously endangers the issue of this otherwise hopeful undertaking.

33. With a new meeting-house, an acceptable minister, and a thriving community, this once feeble flock are now in a condition to sustain their own religious institutions; which they are expected to do when the present missionary year expires.

34. The reception of 5 members by profession into this little ch. is a large increase. Opposition from without has died away into indifference; and hope anticipates the time when this indifference will give way to active co-operation. Rev. B. F. Clark has just taken the place of Mr. J.

35. Relinquished missionary aid at the close of Mr. A.'s last commission. During the 3 years of his ministry the ch. has received 30 members by letter and 15 by profession. He has since removed to another field of labor, and no permanent successor has yet been obtained.

36. No statistical report has been received; but the Secretary of the Berkshire Auxiliary, with which it is immediately connected, includes this African church among the most hopeful and progressive in that part of the field.

37. By advice of neighboring ministers, and with a view to secure the settlement of a pastor, the Com. have returned to the aid of this ch. A new organization of the Soc. has been effected, and other favorable changes taken place; but no settlement of a pastor.

38. When the last pastor was dismissed, in 1850, it was the judgment of the Ex. Com., and of the neighboring ministers, that this field must be abandoned. By advice of the same ministers the Com. are induced to prolong the experiment another year.

39. The past has been a season of revival. About 15 souls, connected with this congregation, and nearly 50 others in town, have become hopeful subjects of grace. Mr. T. has been disabled from labor by ill health during a part of this interesting period.

40. "The removal of religious and church-going members of the community," consequent upon reverses in business, presents a serious discouragement, and may postpone the expected day of independence. About \$80 have been expended on the church by the ladies.

41. A manufacturing village 4 miles from the centre of the town, with a population of 1,500, having no stated evang'l preaching. The majority are Catholics. The Cong'lists, though very few, have subscribed a small sum for preaching, and the Com. have thought proper to aid them in trying the experiment.

42. Mr. C. left at the end of 6 months. Various preachers have supplied the pulpit since. Measures are in train to secure a pastor, without which a feeble church cannot rise, nor a strong one retain its rank. The Sunday school interest is active and increasing.

43. Two small churches, (a Congregational and Methodist,) are here combined in one society for the support of public worship. A little aid for a short time, it is thought, will secure an evangelical ministry and the means of permanent self-support.

44. The report of the past year discloses no new grounds of hope or discouragement, except that every additional grant of missionary funds which gives to the recipient no visible advance, weakens the hope of accomplishing the end sought.

45. Mr. N. has removed, and no report of this missionary field has been received during the year. It was understood, however, that the expiration of his last commission would terminate the days of the society's dependence.

46. This post is now vacant. As no statistical report has been received, nothing can be said of the results of the past; and the Committee are equally in the dark about the prospects of the future.

47. A large proportion of the church members are old and infirm. The seafaring habits of those in active life exclude them from the sanctuary most of the year. A Juvenile Society for sewing, reading and conversation, is exerting a happy influence.



### Fields of Labor and Laborers.

Under the patronage of this Society, the gospel has been preached, and its various ordinances administered, during the past year, or some part of it, in 47 different congregations of the needy in Massachusetts, gathered from 1,100 families, furnishing in the aggregate, 4,800 attendants on public worship, more than half of whom have also been connected with Sabbath schools and Bible classes. Twenty-seven of these congregations are favored with pastors; the remaining twenty have stated supplies. Five pastors have been dismissed, and five settled.

### State of the Churches.

At two stations no church has yet been gathered,—a small appropriation having been made for a limited time, by advice of neighboring ministers, as a preliminary step to such an organization, should Providence open the way. At all the others there are regularly formed churches, numbering, in the aggregate, 1,920 members, of whom 70 were admitted by profession, and 47 by letter, in the course of the year—117 additions in all. To an unusual extent these churches at present appear to “have rest, and are edified, walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost.” Although the absence of religious revivals is a subject of general lamentation in the reports of the missionaries, it is hoped that about 80 souls under their charge have been converted to God.

### Temperance.

The cause of temperance has engrossed much attention on the part of these churches. Many of the waste places in Massachusetts were originally demoralized and impoverished by rum; and many others, *because* they were moral wastes, have afforded this demon a congenial home, long after his expulsion from better society. Consequently our missionaries, and all the sober portion of their flocks, have always found much to do in resisting the evils of intemperance—though not always with much prospect of success. But the recent popular movement in favor of a more effectual suppression of the liquor trade, has revived their hopes, and enlisted their cordial co-operation. Nearly every missionary’s report is a temperance document. Should the proposed reformation be permanently effected, no branch of business in the State will suffer a greater curtailment, than this of Home Missions. There would hardly be need of a missionary society to reclaim “the old wastes,” that have so long baffled the designs of charity.

### Collections for Benevolent Objects.

The contribution of about \$2,500 through various channels of benevolence, is a pledge that these recipients of your bounty will make an early and generous requital, when once relieved of their present burdens. With an average valuation of only \$31,000, distributed among 23 ratable polls, the average amount raised by each society for the support of the gospel among themselves is \$322 (or a fraction over *one per cent.* of their taxable property), and then a voluntary donation to the treasury of the Lord, equal to 43 *per cent.* of the appropriations received from this Society. Whatever objections may lie against a lavish or indiscriminate appliance of charity, as tending to encourage indolence and beggary in the recipients,—and none have pondered this view more seriously than your Executive Committee,—there can be no objection to an eleemosynary system like this, so long as it is administered by rules which naturally work out results like these.

### Progress of the Work.

The present survey of missionary fields in Massachusetts, as compared with the number reported last year, shows a reduction of *six*. It is gratifying to add, that six others included in the present Report have ceased to be missionary fields since the year commenced. These are Billerica, East Cambridge, Lancaster, Milton Railway Village, South Malden, and South Orange. In each case, the missionary's entire support was assumed by the people of his charge when his last commission expired. So that the present number of assisted churches in Massachusetts is only *forty-one*.

As this class of facts furnishes the most reliable evidence of progress—showing the actual attainment of the great object sought by the friends of Home Missions—it may also be stated here, for their further encouragement, that we now have *one hundred and twenty-three churches* in Massachusetts, which this Society has brought up from a state of absolute dependence on charity, to a condition of vigorous self-support; and they constitute nearly *one-third* of all the self-supporting churches of our order. What stronger assurance do we want, that “our labor is not in vain in the Lord?” More than half of them have been placed in this condition within the last ten years. What better proof can we have of the increasing efficiency of these labors?

### Impediments to Greater Progress.

While the foregoing facts must convince every body that this Home Missionary field, as a whole, is constantly improving—that our feeble churches, taken together, are steadily and even rapidly rising—there are, nevertheless, some exceptions, some cases of protracted depen-

dence on missionary help, owing to causes which pecuniary aid has little or no power to remove. One of these causes is the *spirit of emigration*, which seems to characterize the age. Almost every rural parish in the State is affected by it; and the weakest, the most sensibly of all, not only because they are weak, and therefore feel every loss more deeply, but because they are more exposed to such losses. In many of our retired missionary fields, the secular business of the place is not sufficient to retain the young men when they come upon the stage of life, especially the active and enterprising. Thus the recuperative power of the church is paralyzed, and every social interest stagnates. A pastor of one of these churches writes, that at his last communion season he received the *hundredth* member; and yet had only *fifty-five* names left on his list. Another reports the admission of one by profession, "the first for sixteen years." In several instances, after receiving missionary aid through nearly a quarter of a century, the church is still sinking away under a slow consumption. Such cases perplex the Executive Committee. To forsake an old and decrepid church, doomed to die, is revolting to filial piety. And yet merely to prolong the days of its decline by an expenditure of funds which would otherwise be employed in raising up new ones that would soon sustain themselves, seems hardly consistent with good economy, or the claims of Providence; especially at a time when the demand for these funds in raising such churches is greater than can possibly be met.

Another cause of protracted dependence on missionary aid, is found in the *habit of dependence*, which sometimes adheres to an assisted church long after its real necessities have ceased,—a disposition to shrink from the untried experiment of self-reliance, and to renew their application for assistance as long as importunity can avail to secure it. To suspend aid abruptly in every case when the financial resources of a society are found adequate to support their minister, would sometimes be a suspension of the ministry too, and a loss of all past missionary labor. But by a gradual reduction of aid from year to year, accompanied by appropriate counsels and appeals, the Committee are sure to succeed at length, unless thwarted in their attempts, as they sometimes are, by the well-meant, but misjudged intervention of others. When such a church, by their pastor or agent, come before an Association, Conference, or Auxiliary Society, to obtain the requisite endorsement of an application to this Board for a specified amount of missionary aid, and receive encouragement to expect that the amount shall be furnished from some other source, if it be not forthcoming from the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, it is impossible for the Executive Committee to induce that church thenceforth to raise

their own standard of effort, or to lower their demands on charity. Of course, it only remains to continue that amount of assistance in this particular case longer than the Committee deem best for the church, or consistent with their rules, or else surrender it wholly to the care of others. In several instances, this latter alternative has been chosen, as least embarrassing to the operations of the Society;—which, however, has usually resulted in the retrocession of the church, after a season, to its original connection, with a full consent that it should rise to independence under the same rules that are working out this result for the rest. But the experiment takes time and occasions delay.

#### Results on the Field at Large.

As a large proportion of the receipts from this State have been expended beyond its limits, through the agency of the American Home Missionary Society, it seems fitting, as it certainly is cheering, to learn from their Annual Report, just presented, that on the whole field, 1,065 missionary laborers have performed an aggregate of 862 years of service, in 1,948 congregations and missionary districts, scattered over 28 different States and Territories, preaching the gospel in eight different languages, to a population of nearly 300,000, if we assign only 30 families of five members to each field of labor. Among the *visible* results which can be stated in figures, are 2,643 hopeful conversions, reported by 349 missionaries, 6,820 additions to the churches, by profession and by letter, 45 *new* churches gathered by the missionaries, and 60 houses of worship erected by their people. In sustaining this great system of operations, and securing these glorious results, with innumerable others that cannot be reported till “the books are opened” at the last day, the Executive Board received \$160,062 25 from the friends of Home Missions in all parts of the land—an excess of \$9,122 over the receipts of the preceding year. It must excite agreeable emotions in the breast of every one connected with this Auxiliary, to reflect that by virtue of the existing union between the two societies, every dollar of his donations to the cause of Home Missions, into whichever treasury it falls, goes to swell this broad and deep stream, whose waters are fertilizing the moral deserts of a continent.

#### Conservative Power of the Gospel.

The solemn apprehensions of danger to the body politic, and to the cause of Christ in this land, which rest upon many reflecting minds, will not appear utterly unfounded, if we attempt to estimate the native growth of irreligion, vice and violence in our midst, combining, as they do, with the superstition, infidelity and crime, that flow in upon us from abroad. And yet the real and the *only* ground of apprehen-

sion is, the possibility that God's prescribed remedy may not be applied. In this hour of conflict and peril we have in our hands what has ever proved "mighty, through God, to the pulling down of strong holds." If truth be overborne, and fall in our streets; if spiritual religion expire among us; if the land of the Pilgrims' sepulchres become the home of imported vice and superstition, it will not be because we have no adequate means of prevention. Fable or fancy has represented that the Emperor Constantine, on the eve of a battle which gave him the empire, saw pictured in the heavens the sign of the cross, and underneath it written, "*By this sign, conquer.*" But there is no fable, no fancy, in the representation of Paul, that the PREACHING of the cross "is the power of God unto salvation, to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek;" while the finger of Providence is continually writing underneath it, **BY THIS SIGN, CONQUER.**

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr. The Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in account with Benjamin Perkins, Treasurer. Cr.

To paid Missionaries the past year, . . .	\$4,825 19	By balance from last year, . . .	\$1,177 39
" American Home Missionary Society, . .	24,000 00	" Contributions and Legacies, . . .	28,490 30
" Agency, traveling expenses, and incidentals, .	1,092 17	" Dividends and Interest, . . .	980 49
" A. B. C. F. M. from Mrs. Osborne's Fund, .	78 50	" Income from Mrs. Osborne's Fund, . . .	78 50
Balance to new account, . . .	730 82		
	<u>\$30,726 68</u>		<u>\$30,726 68</u>

Boston, May 16, 1852.

Errors Excepted,

BENJAMIN PERKINS, Treasurer.

Boston, May 22, 1852. I have examined the accounts of Benjamin Perkins, Esq., Treasurer of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, and find the same well vouched and correctly cast.

JAMES M. GORDON, Auditor.

NOTE.—In addition to the foregoing receipts, \$6,680 78, in the form of donations, contributions, and legacies, have been forwarded to the American Home Missionary Society from different parts of the State, which are not included in this Report, because they did not pass through this Treasury.

## DONATIONS.

FROM MAY 16, 1851, TO MAY 16, 1852.

Abington, in part, legacy of Edward Cobb, \$400, \$250, \$200, \$200,	\$1,050 00
East Cong. Ch. and Soc.	14 00
South, Rev. Mr. Haynes' Soc. Mon. Con. Coll.	25 00
Acton, legacy of Miss Nancy Keyes,	100 00
Evang. Cong. Soc.	23 50
Adams, North Cong. Ch. and Soc.	26 87
Amesbury and Salisbury Mills, Cong. Soc. 30; 30; 45,	105 00
Rev. Mr. Bacon's Soc.	15 00
Amherst, 1st Parish, Gent. 172 37; Ladies, 58 78, to const. Hon. E. Dickinson	
and Howard Sweetser, L. Members. Centre Ladies' Sew. Soc. 52;	
Mill Valley Young Ladies' Sewing Circ. 11 37; Mrs. Sarah Dickinson, 5,	299 72
Dea. J. Leland,	30 00
Mrs. Elizabeth Haven,	50 00
North, Rev. Mr. Cook's Soc.	21 73
South, Rev. Mr. Merrick's Soc. to const. Thos. Reed a L. M.	30 00
N. S. Dickinson, to const. Rev. N. S. Dickinson, of Wendall, a L. M.	30 00
Faculty and Students of Amherst College,	38 00
Andover, Rev. J. Emerson, to const. Miss Sally Sweetser a L. M.	30 00
Teachers and Students in Phillips Academy, to const. Mr. McHose a L. M.	43 60
North, Rev. Mr. Briggs' Soc.	100 00
Ashburnham, Union Church,	5 00
Ashland, Miss. Assoc. to const. Mrs. R. M. Thayer a L. M.	41 37
Ashby, Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Deac. James Barrett a L. M.	35 00
Cent Soc. to const. Mrs. Betsey Hayward a L. M.	38 70
Athol, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	70 00
Attleboro', Second Cong. Ch. and Soc.	33 13
Fem. Benev. Soc. to const. Mrs. Cynthia Moulton a L. M.	43 17
Miss Mary Capron,	1 00
A Friend,	20 00
Barnstable, Centerville, Rev. Mr. Bacon's Soc.	19 38
Bedford, Trin. Cong. Soc.	7 69
Fem. Char. Assoc., collected in 1850, 7.50; 1852, 7;	14 50
Belchertown, Benev. Assoc. to const. Rev. S. Wolcott and Mrs. Wolcott, L. M.	115 00
Legacy of Mrs. Mary C. Marshall,	20 00
Berkley, Rev. Mr. Richardson's Soc.	9 00
Berkshire and Columbia Miss. Soc., Leonard Church, Treas., 30 of which from	
Mrs. Sarah E. Dana, to const. her a L. M., and 30 to const. Samuel	
Gates, of Lee, a L. M.	910 50
Berlin, a Friend,	3 00
Beverly, Dane St. Ch. and Soc., Ladies, 34 25, Gent.'s 58 55,	92 80
Washington St. Ch. and Soc. to const. Miss H. D. Cole a L. M.	50 00
Billerica, Rev. Mr. Stearns's Soc.	25 00
Boston, Bowdoin St. Ch. and Soc. to const. Mr. Moses L. Hale and Mrs. H. H.	
Woodford L. Members,	636 50
Central Ch. and Soc.	972 33
Essex St. "	692 00
Mt. Vernon "	354 42
Old South "	619 31
Park St. "	667 20
Phillips " of which 30 from Mr. A. Simonds to const. Mrs. Mary J.	
Simonds a L. M.	272 56
" " monthly concert collection,	21 00
Pine St. "	46 30
Salem St. in 1850, 203 50; in 1851, 186 65,	390 15
German Evang. Ch. and Soc.	20 00
Legacy of James K. Whipple, by S. K. Whipple, Esq.	125 00
Mr. Charles M. Briggs, to const. him a L. M.	30 00
An aged member of Park St. Ch.	10 00
T. S. 4; 6; 10.	20 00
A Friend, to const. Miss W. Atkins a L. M.	30 00
A Friend, 1; 2; 5; 5,	13 00
Bradford, Rev. Mr. Monroe's Soc.	85 50

Braintree, 1st ch. quarterly collections, 18 50; 14 25; 15; 19,	67 75
"    mon. conc. coll.,	50 00
"    Ladies' H. M. Soc. to const. Mrs. Anna M. Hayden and Mrs. Catharine L. French, L. Members,	80 00
South, Ladies' Sew. Circle, to const. Mrs. L. M. Hammond L. M.	30 00
Brighton, Ev. Cong. Ch. and Soc.	124 55
Brimfield, Cong. Ch. and Soc. in part to const. Rev. Jason Morse L. D.	81 20
Brookfield Assoc., S. M. Lane, Treas. viz.	
Dana, Storrsville Ch. and Soc.	12 50
Holland, Ladies' Cent Soc. 25; L. A. H. M. Soc. 8,	33 00
New Braintree, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	63 97
North Brookfield, Dr. Soell's Soc.	22 00
Oakham, Ch. and Soc. to const. Mrs. E. P. Kimball a L. M.	55 00
Southbridge, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	121 63
Spencer, Ch. and Soc.	120 00
Sturbridge, Cong. Ch. and Soc. of which 30 to const. Mrs. Laura D. Haynes a L. M.	171 92
Ware, 1st Parish, 40; Ladies' Benev. Soc. 10.	50 00
Collected at meeting of Conference,	14 16
Brookline, Harvard Ch. and Soc. to const. Rev. M. M. Smith a L. D.	210 00
Cambridge, Ladies' Sew. Soc. in the Shepard Ch. to const. Miss Anna E. Albrow, Mrs. Sarah Holmes, and Mrs. Susan H. Bates, L. Members,	88 44
Hon. Simon Greenleaf,	10 00
Cambridgeport, Rev. Joseph Haven,	50 00
Carlisle, Ev. Cong. Ch. and Soc.	16 00
Carver, Ezra Lucas,	2 00
Charlemont, East, Cong. Ch. and Soc. for Oregon Mission,	16 00
Charlestown, 1st Cong. Ch. and Soc.	110 00
A member of the 1st Church,	6 00
G. H., a thank offering,	5 00
Winthrop Ch. and Soc.	492 64
Chatham, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	25 85
Chelmsford, North Cong. Ch. and Soc.	50 00
Chelsea, Winnisimmit Ch. and Soc.	63 00
Broadway Ch. and Soc.	44 61
A Friend,	45 00
Danvers, South, Ladies' Miss. Circle,	48 00
"    Legacy of Miss Mary Poor,	60 00
Third Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Mrs. Lydia M. Fletcher a L. M.	49 00
Dartmouth, South, Cong. Soc. to const. Dea. S. Staples and J. A. Bailey L. M.	50 00
Dedham, Fem. H. M. Soc., in 1st Cong. Soc.	50 00
Deerfield, Orth. Cong. Ch. and Soc.	17 12
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Newburyport, Rev. Dr. Dimmick's Soc. to const. Sam'l Thurlow, James M. Hovey, Josiah French, Fanny E. Hoyt, Thomas Atwood, John Bailey, Jr., Porter Russell and Miss Ann Plummer, L. Members,	247 51
Newburyport, Fem. H. M. Soc. in Rev. Mr. Campbell's Cong. to const. Mrs. Margaret B. Cross and Mrs. Margaret A. Dow, L. Members, 60; Fem. Christian Knowledge Soc. 15 33,	75 33
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 Putnam, Mrs Lucy, Waltham  
 Putnam, Rev R. A., Chichester, N. H.  
 Randall, Ozias, Enfield  
 Randall, Mrs Ichabod  
 Rankin, John, Amherst  
 Ranney, Dr. L., Hardwick  
 Rawson, Rev Alanson, Southboro'  
 Rawson, Mrs Martha W. do.  
 Raymond, Rev Stetson, Bridgewater  
 Reynolds, Rev Freegrace, Wilmington  
 Read, Mrs H. A., Webster  
 Reed, Rev F. A., Cohasset  
 \*Reed, Wm., Marblehead  
 Reed, Mrs Hannah, do.  
 Reid, Rev Jared, Tiverton, R. I.  
 \*Reid, Mrs Jared, do.  
 Richards, Mrs Joseph, Braintree  
 Richards, Rev W. M., Deerfield  
 Richardson, Rev. Nathaniel, Berkley  
 Richardson, Sumner, Woburn  
 Richmond, Zephaniah, Buckland  
 Rice, Abner, Woburn  
 Rice, Mrs N. G. do.  
 Rice, Edward, Wayland  
 Rice, Rev Chauncey D., East Douglas  
 Rice, Mrs Tryphena, do.  
 Rice, Mrs Eleazer, Ashby  
 Rice, Mrs John, do.

Richardson, Mrs Nancy B., Sudbury  
 Richmond, Rev. T. T., Medfield  
 Richmond, Mrs R. H. do.  
 Roberts, Rev Jacob, Fairhaven  
 Robbins, John F., Littleton  
 Robinson, Mrs Hannah, Webster  
 Robinson, Mrs Stephen, Dorchester  
 Rockwood, Rev. Ous, Boston  
 Rogers, Danford, Warren  
 Rogers John  
 \*Rogers Rev W. M., Boston  
 \*Rogers, Mrs Adelia S. do.  
 Root, Harvey, West Springfield  
 Root, Mrs Jerusha B., Byfield  
 Root, Mrs John, Greenwich  
 Root, Mrs J., Enfield  
 Rowe, Elisha S., Sunderland  
 Rowe, Mrs Phebe L., Stoneham  
 Ruggles, Miss P. A., Ware Village  
 Russell, Miss Catharine, Kingston  
 Russell, Emmons, Sunderland  
 Russell, Porter, Newburyport  
 Sabin, Rev Lewis, Templeton  
 Sackman, Mrs George W., Newbury  
 Sage, Hon O., Ware  
 Sage, Mrs R. P. do.  
 Sage, Miss S. R. do.  
 Salisbury, Stephen, Medway Village  
 \*Salisbury, Josiah, Boston  
 Salisbury, Stephen, do.  
 Sanderson, Abraham, Lunenburg  
 Sanford, Rev B., East Bridgewater  
 Sanford, Rev David, Medway  
 Sanford, Mrs David, do.  
 Sanford, Rev Enoch, Raynham  
 Sanford, E. H., Worcester  
 Sanford, Mrs E. H., do.  
 Sanford, Ichabod, Belchertown  
 Sanford, Rev James, Holland  
 Sanford, Rev John, Amherst  
 Sanford, Mrs N. W., Attleboro'  
 Sargeant, John B., Amesbury  
 Sargeant, Mrs M., Milton  
 Sargeant, Orlando, Amesbury  
 Sargeant, Richard, do.  
 Sawin, Rev F. P., Harwich  
 Sawyer, Mrs Jeremiah, Newburyport  
 Seabury, P. G., New Bedford  
 Seabury, Miss Sarah, Taunton  
 Searl, Mrs Emily A., Marblehead  
 Searle, Rev J., Lynnfield  
 Sessions, W. H., Warren  
 Seymour, Rev Henry, Hawley  
 Shankland, Miss Chloe, Randolph  
 Shaw, Abiathar L., Medway  
 Shaw, G., Enfield  
 Shaw, Samuel, Newburyport  
 Shedd, Mrs Mary, Abington  
 Sheldon, Rev L., Easton  
 Shepard, Calvin, Ashland  
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 Sherman, Asahel, Wayland  
 Sherwin, Edmund P., Buckland  
 \*Shumway, Rev C., Townsend  
 Sibley, Nathaniel, Waltham  
 Sikes, Rev Oren, Bedford  
 Sikes, Mrs Julia K. do.  
 Simmons, Lewis, Jr., South Marshfield  
 Simmons, Mrs N. S., Ware  
 Simonds, Alvan, Boston  
 Simonds, Artemas, do.  
 Simonds, Mrs Mary J., Boston  
 Skinner, Miss Charity, Shelburne

Skinner, Jairos, Ware  
 Smiley, Francis, Amesbury  
 Smith, Edmund M., Sunderland  
 \*Smith, Rev Ethan, Hanover  
 Smith, Rev George P., Worcester  
 Smith, M. H., Boston  
 Smith, Mrs M. H. do.  
 Smith, Miss Lucinda, do.  
 \*Smith, Nathaniel, Sunderland  
 Smith, Peter, Andover  
 Smith, Miss Rebecca, do.  
 Smith, Hiram, Sunderland  
 Smith, Rev S. S., Northampton  
 Smith, Mrs Lucretia B. do.  
 Smith, Rev T. M., Gambia, O.  
 Smith, Nathaniel, Newburyport  
 Smith, Mrs Eliza, do.  
 Smith, Rev H. B., Amherst  
 Smith, N. A., Sunderland  
 Snell, Thomas, D. D., N. Brookfield  
 Spaulding, Leonard, Milbury  
 Spring, Rev Samuel, East Hartford, Ct.  
 Staples, Samuel, Dartmouth  
 \*Starkweather, E., Williamstown  
 Stearns, Mrs J. F., Newark, N. J.  
 \*Stearns, Rev Samuel, Bedford  
 Stearns, Mrs Abigail, do.  
 Steele, Rev J. M., Winchester  
 Stevens, Mrs Elizabeth, Stoneham  
 Stevens, Miss Hannah, do.  
 Stockbridge, Mrs Abigail, North Hadley  
 Stockwell, Leonard, Grafton  
 Stone, Albert, do.  
 Stone, Rev Cyrus, Boston  
 Stone, Luther, East Douglas  
 Stone, Rev Micah, Brookfield  
 Stone, Rev T. D. P., Westboro'  
 Stone, Mrs Phebe C. do.  
 Storrs, R. S., D. D., Braintree  
 \*Storrs, Mrs R. S. do.  
 Storrs, Mrs Ann, do.  
 Storrs, Rev R. S. Jr., Brooklyn, N. Y.  
 Street, Philo W., West Springfield  
 Strong, Lewis, Northampton  
 Styles, Phineas, Warwick  
 Sumner, John, Newburyport  
 Swan, Mrs Ruth, Dorchester  
 Swallow, Joseph, Dunstable  
 Sweet, Joseph, Shelburne  
 Sweetser, Howard, Amherst  
 Sweetser, Miss Sally, Newburyport  
 Sweetser, Luke, Amherst  
 Taft, Miss Amanda, Uxbridge  
 Taft, Merrick, Northbridge  
 Tappan, John, Boston  
 Tappan, Rev S. S., Conway, N. H.  
 Taylor, A. H., Heath  
 Taylor, Cyrus, Dunstable  
 Taylor, Isaac, do.  
 \*Taylor, Rev James, Sunderland  
 Taylor, Rev John, Northbridge  
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 Taylor, John, Medford  
 Taylor, Mrs Mary, Manchester  
 Taylor, Miss Rebecca, Ashby  
 Taylor, Samuel S., Dunstable  
 Teel, John, Newburyport  
 Tenney, Miss S. G. do.  
 Tenney, Rev Francis V., Byfield  
 Terry, Rev James, South Weymouth  
 Thatcher, Matthew, South Dartmouth  
 Thacher, Rev Tyler, California  
 Thayer, Mrs Susan, Natick

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 Thayer, Rev William M., Ashland  
 Thayer, Mrs Rebecca M. do.  
 Thomas, Asa, Plymouth  
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 Thompson, Rev A. C., Roxbury  
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 Turlow, Samuel, Newburyport  
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 Tiakham, Jesse, Enfield  
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 Titus, Mrs Sally, Westminster  
 Tohy, Job T., Rochester  
 Tolman, Rev R., Dennis  
 Tolman, James, Ware Village  
 Tolman Joseph, Ware  
 Tolman, William E., Dorchester  
 \*Tomlinson, Rev D., Oakham  
 Torrance, Mrs J., Enfield  
 Torrey, Ziba, Attleboro'  
 Tower, Mrs A. D., Cummington  
 Tower, H. L. do.  
 Towne, Salem, Charlton  
 \*Townsend, Rev S., Sberburne  
 Tracy, Mrs Hiram A., Cincinnati, O.  
 Tracy, Mrs H. A. do.  
 Traia, Nathaniel, Enfield  
 Traak, Daniel, do.  
 Traak, Charles H., Manchester  
 Tucker, Mrs Catharine, Dorchester  
 Tucker, Ephraim, Ware  
 Tucker, Mark D. D., Wethersfield, Ct.  
 Tucker, Mrs Nathan, Milton  
 Tupper, Rev Martyn, Lanesboro'  
 Turner, Dr. N. G., Sunderland  
 Tuttle, Thomas S., Littleton  
 Tyler, Mrs Fanny, Attleboro'  
 Tyler, Rev William, Northampton  
 Underwood, Rev G. W., Charlton  
 Upham, Otis, Waltham  
 Upton, Mrs Dorinda F., Buckland  
 Utley, Rev Samuel, N. Marlboro'  
 Valentine, Mrs Joanna C., Cambridge  
 Virgin, Miss Hannah, Boston  
 Vinton, Miss Eliza A. do.  
 Vinton, Josiah, do.  
 \*Vose, Thomas, do.  
 Wales, Thomas, North Bridgewater  
 Walker, Amasa, North Brookfield  
 Walker, Mrs Hannah, Sturbridge  
 Walker, Rev H. D., Abington  
 Walker, Miss Mary, Greenwich  
 Walker, Oramel, Enfield  
 \*Walker, Rev Samuel, Danvers  
 Walley, S. H., Roxbury  
 Ware, Rev Samuel, Deerfield  
 Ward, Rev James W., Abington  
 \*Ward, Mrs J. W. do.  
 Ward, Jonathan, Buckland  
 Ward, Mrs John, Enfield  
 Warner, Mrs S. do.  
 Warren, Jonas, do.  
 Warren, Nathan, Waltham  
 Warren, Mrs Sarah, do.  
 Warren, Mrs Nancy, Greenwich  
 Washburn, Horatio, Kingston  
 Waters, Rev I., Chesterfield  
 Webb, Mrs Susan, Greenwich  
 Welch, Simeon, Haverhill, North  
 Wetherbee, Josiah, Waltham  
 Wheeler, Mrs E. M., Conway  
 Wheeler, Rev M. G., Newton  
 Whidden, Miss Catherine F., Marblehead  
 Whipple, Charles, Newburyport  
 Whipple, Henry, Salem  
 Whipple, Justin B., East Douglas  
 Whitcomb, Miss Abby B., Templeton  
 Whitcomb, David, do.  
 Whitcomb, Mrs Margaret, do.  
 White, Alfred, West Brookfield  
 \*White, Bailey, Randolph  
 White, Rev Seneca, Marshfield  
 White, Mrs Susan H., Marblehead  
 Whitmarsh, Joshua, Abington  
 Whiting, Rev F. L., Gill  
 Whiting, Rev Lyman, Reading  
 Whitney, Josiah, Westminster  
 Whitney, Mrs Mary A., Waltham  
 Whittin, Paul, Northbridge  
 Whittemore, Benjamin F., Boston  
 Whittemore, Mrs B. F. do.  
 Whittemore, B. F., Jr. do.  
 Whittemore, M., West Roxbury  
 Wight, Rev Daniel, Scituate  
 \*Wilbur, Rev Hervey, Newburyport  
 Wilbur, Joseph, Taunton  
 Wilder, Charles W., Winchester  
 \*Wilder, Rev John, Cambridge  
 Wilder, J. D., Middleboro'  
 Wilkinson, Rev R., Abington  
 Willard, Mrs Lucy, Cambridge  
 \*Williams, Rev A., Dudley  
 Williams, Miss Abby, Taunton  
 Williams, Abel B., Northbridge  
 Williams, Rev Dillon, Feedinghills  
 Williams, Joseph, Newburyport  
 \*Williams, Rev S. P. do.  
 Williams, Thomas S., Winchester  
 Willis, Nathaniel, Boston  
 Williston, Samuel, Easthampton  
 \*Wisner, Benjamin B., D. D., Boston  
 Wiswell, William, West Roxbury  
 Wolcott, Rev Samuel, Belchertown  
 Wolcott, Mrs Samuel, do.  
 Wood, Mrs Abby M., Athol  
 Wood, Aaron, Westminster  
 Wood, B. F. do.  
 Wood, Rev C. W. Ashby  
 Wood, Mrs Catherine S. do.  
 \*Wood, Mrs E. A. W. do.  
 Wood, Horatio G., Middleboro'  
 Wood, Rev Luke, Somers, Ct.  
 Wood, Mrs Polly, Enfield  
 Wood, Mrs Zenas, do.  
 Wood, S. F., Chelmsford  
 Woodbridge, John, D. D., Hadley  
 \*Woodbury, Rev B., Falmouth  
 Woodbury, Rev James T., Acton  
 Woodman, Joseph, Newburyport  
 Woods, Leonard, D. D., Andover  
 \*Worcester, Samuel, D. D., Salem  
 Worcester, Samuel M., D. D. do.  
 Worcester, Mrs Z. do.  
 Wright, Albert J., Boston  
 Wright, Mrs Martha, Phillipston  
 Wyman, Marshall, Woburn  
 Yale, Mrs Sarah S., South Reading

# CONSTITUTION

## OF THE

### AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

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ART. 1. This Society shall be denominated "THE AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY."

ART. 2. The object of this Society shall be, to assist congregations that are unable to support the Gospel Ministry, and to send the Gospel to the destitute, within the United States; also, to co-operate with evangelical Christians in the support of Home Missions in nominally Christian countries, to such an extent as the funds of the Institution may justify.

ART. 3. The Officers of the Society shall be, a President, Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, an Auditor, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, and fifty Directors, who shall be annually appointed by the Society; and who, together with the Directors for life, shall constitute a Board, seven of whom shall be a quorum, at any meeting regularly convened.

ART. 4. The Officers and Directors shall appoint an Executive Committee of thirteen, (including the Treasurer, the Corresponding Secretary, and the Recording Secretary,) residing in the City of New York and its vicinity; five of whom shall be a quorum, at any meeting regularly convened. This Committee shall have power to appoint its own meetings, form its own rules of business, and fill any vacancies in its own number which may occur during the year, and to convene special meetings of the Board or Society; shall appoint Missionaries, and instruct them as to the field and manner of their labors; shall have the disposal of the funds; shall create such agency or agencies for appointing Missionaries, and for other purposes, as the interests of the institution may require; and shall make an Annual Report of their proceedings to the Society.

ART. 5. The Treasurer shall give bonds, annually, to such amount as the Executive Committee shall think proper.

ART. 6. Any person may become a member of this Society, by contributing annually to its funds; thirty dollars paid at one time shall constitute a Member for life; and one hundred dollars paid at one time shall constitute a Director for life; and any person, on the payment of a sum, which, in addition to any previous contribution to the funds, shall amount to one hundred dollars, shall be a Director for life. An executor, on paying a legacy of two hundred and fifty dollars to the funds of this Society, shall be a Member for life; and the payment of a legacy of one thousand dollars shall constitute him a Director for life.

ART. 7. Any Missionary Society may become auxiliary, by agreeing to pay into the Treasury of this Society the whole of its surplus funds, and sending to the Corresponding Secretary a copy of its Constitution and Annual Reports, mentioning the names of its Missionaries, and the fields of their operations.

ART. 8. Every Auxiliary Society which shall agree to pay the whole of its funds to this Society, shall be entitled to a Missionary or Missionaries, to labor in such field as it may designate; at least to the amount of its contributions; provided such designation be made at the time of payment.

ART. 9. The Officers of all Auxiliary Societies shall be ex-officio Directors; and annual contributors to their funds shall be members of the Society.

ART. 10. This Society shall meet annually in the City of New York, on the Wednesday next preceding the second Thursday in May.

ART. 11. No alteration shall be made in this Constitution, without a vote of two-thirds of the members present, at an annual meeting; nor unless the same shall have been proposed at a previous annual meeting, or recommended by the Executive Committee.

## SYSTEMATIC CONTRIBUTIONS.

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THE following plan for systematic contributions in Massachusetts to the various objects of benevolence here specified, was recommended by the General Association of the State, at their meeting in Ipswich, June 24, 1840, and has been extensively adopted by the local Associations and Conferences. The necessity for *some* uniform system has long been felt, and it is hoped that this will meet the approbation of all.

### 1. BOSTON AND VICINITY.

According to the arrangement made by these churches in 1833.

Foreign Missions, *January*.  
Education Society, *February*.  
City Missions, *April*.  
Sabbath Schools, *June*.  
Home Missions, *September*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *October*.  
Tract Society, *November*.

### 2. ESSEX COUNTY AND ANDOVER ASSOCIATION.

Bible Society, *December and January*.  
Foreign Missions, *February and March*.  
Education Society, *April and May*.  
Home Missions, *June and July*.  
Tract Society, *August and September*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *October*.  
Sabbath School Society, *November*.

### 3. MIDDLESEX UNION AND WOBURN ASSOCIATIONS.

Bible Society, *January and February*.  
Foreign Missions, *March and April*.  
Education Society, *May and June*.  
Home Missions, *July and August*.  
Tract Society, *September and October*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *November*.  
Sabbath School Society, *December*.

### 4. NORFOLK COUNTY AND CONFERENCE AND MENDON ASSOCIATION.

Bible Society, *February and March*.  
Foreign Missions, *April and May*.  
Education Society, *June and July*.  
Home Missions, *August and September*.  
Tract Society, *October and November*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *December*.  
Sabbath School Society, *January*.

### 5. BERKSHIRE COUNTY.

Bible Society, *March and April*.  
Foreign Missions, *May and June*.  
Education Society, *July and August*.  
Home Missions, *September and October*.  
Tract Society, *November and December*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *January*.  
Sabbath School Society, *February*.

### 6. HAMPDEN COUNTY.

Bible Society, *April and May*.  
Foreign Missions, *June and July*.  
Education Society, *August and September*.  
Home Missions, *October and November*.  
Tract Society, *December and January*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *February*.  
Sabbath School Society, *March*.

### 7. HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.

Bible Society, *May and June*.  
Foreign Missions, *July and August*.  
Education Society, *September and October*.  
Home Missions, *November and December*.  
Tract Society, *January and February*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *March*.  
Sabbath School Society, *April*.

### 8. FRANKLIN COUNTY AND WORCESTER NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Bible Society, *June and July*.  
Foreign Missions, *August and September*.  
Education Society, *October and November*.  
Home Missions, *December and January*.  
Tract Society, *February and March*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *April*.  
Sabbath School Society, *May*.

### 9. WORCESTER CENTRAL AND BROOKFIELD ASSOCIATIONS.

Bible Society, *July and August*.  
Foreign Missions, *September and October*.  
Education Society, *November and December*.  
Home Missions, *January and February*.  
Tract Society, *March and April*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *May*.  
Sabbath School Society, *June*.

### 10. MIDDLESEX SOUTH AND HARMONY CONFERENCES.

Bible Society, *August and September*.  
Foreign Missions, *October and November*.  
Education Society, *December and January*.  
Home Missions, *February and March*.  
Tract Society, *April and May*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *June*.  
Sabbath School Society, *July*.

### 11. TAUNTON AND VICINITY AND OLD COLONY CONFERENCES.

Bible Society, *September and October*.  
Foreign Missions, *November and December*.  
Education Society, *January and February*.  
Home Missions, *March and April*.  
Tract Society, *May and June*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *July*.  
Sabbath School Society, *August*.

### 12. PILGRIM AND BARNSTABLE CONFERENCES.

Bible Society, *October and November*.  
Foreign Missions, *December and January*.  
Education Society, *February and March*.  
Home Missions, *April and May*.  
Tract Society, *June and July*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *August*.  
Sabbath School Society, *September*.

### AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

It is respectfully requested, that when auxiliary societies are formed, information may be given immediately to the Secretary, with the names and residences of the officers of such societies—and a copy of the constitution and the names of the towns or parishes (if more than one) included within their limits.

It is also requested, that they report progress once a year—immediately after their annual meeting—or before the first of May. The grounds for these requests are:

1. That the Executive Committee may know how much ground is occupied in the State by auxiliaries—and how much is unorganized.
2. That they may know with whom to correspond officially—and make arrangements for delegations to the annual meetings of auxiliaries.
3. That they may forward the Annual Reports of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, and of the American Home Missionary Society to the several auxiliaries—and also the "Home Missionary" to the association contributing ten dollars or more annually to the funds of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

*Unless special directions be given to the contrary, these publications should be forwarded by mail.*

### APPLICATIONS FOR AID.

It is expected that any feeble congregation desiring aid in support of the gospel, will regard the following particulars in their applications only in the first instance, but as often as the application is renewed.

1. The number of members in the church.
2. The number of families or polls in the society.
3. The whole population of the town or parish.
4. The number usually attending public worship, or the number that may be expected to attend.
5. The amount of property belonging to members of the society, as shown on the State bill, or town valuation.
6. The amount supposed necessary for a minister's support.
7. The mode of collection—whether by tax or voluntary subscription.
8. The utmost amount that can be secured for the object, within the limits of the society.
9. The least amount that must be derived from other sources.
10. The probable length of time for which charitable aid will be needed.

A written statement on these topics, signed by a committee of the church or society, is required, and the correctness of the statement is to be verified by two or three neighboring ministers, who are expected at the same time to certify that in their opinion the request for assistance ought to be granted.

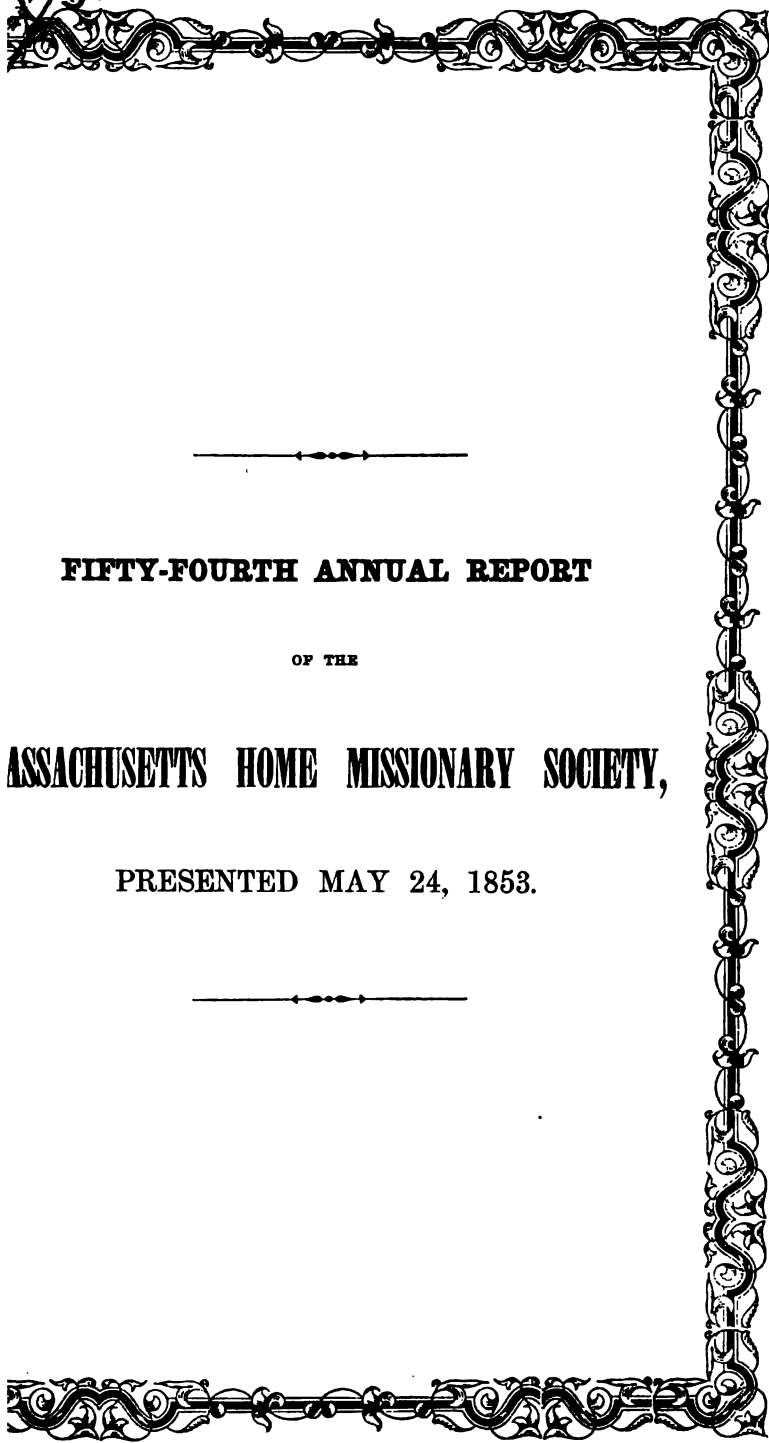
### FORM OF A BEQUEST TO THE MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

I GIVE unto the Treasurer of the "Massachusetts Home Missionary Society," the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ dollars, for the purposes of said Society, and for which the receipt of such Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge.

Some important legacies have been lost to the cause of Home Missions through inattention to the legal name of the Society, to which they were given.

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**FIFTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT**

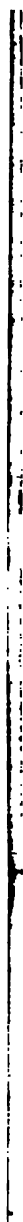
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PRESENTED MAY 24, 1853.







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OF THE

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PRESENTED BY THE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

AT THE

ANNIVERSARY MEETING IN BOSTON, MAY 24, 1853.

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BOSTON :  
PRESS OF T. R. MARVIN, 42 CONGRESS STREET.  
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## NOTICES.

ALL communications intended for the Executive Committee, and any correspondence relating to the general interests of the Society, may be addressed to Rev. JOSEPH S. CLARK, *Secretary, No. 28 Cornhill, Boston.*

All remittances of money, and whatever communications relate to the pecuniary concerns of the Board, may be made to BENJAMIN PERKINS, Esq., *Treasurer, No. 156 Washington Street, Boston.*

Persons, in any part of the State, wishing to become Life Members or Life Directors of the American Home Missionary Society—or to make donations in any form to its funds, can transmit their donations through the treasury of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

Life Membership in the American Home Missionary Society, is *thirty dollars.*

Life Directorship in the do. do. is *one hundred dollars.*

Life Membership in the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, is *thirty dollars.*

[ ] The Secretaries of Auxiliary Societies, are earnestly requested to forward copies of their Annual Reports, without delay, to the Secretary of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, No. 28 Cornhill, Boston. Also to furnish a list of the Officers chosen at each annual meeting. Compliance with these requests will enable the Committee of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society to furnish, in connection with their Annual Report, a satisfactory account of the state and progress of each Auxiliary.

THE HOME MISSIONARY is published monthly by the American Home Missionary Society, 150 Nassau Street, New York. It is also distributed from 156 Washington Street, Boston, for the accommodation of subscribers and others entitled to it, who reside in this State. Terms, *fifty cents per annum*, in advance.

[ ] It is sent *gratuitously* to Life Members, Missionaries, and Auxiliary Associations of either Society; to all pastors whose congregations contribute any sum annually to either treasury; to all persons who serve as collectors; and to each donor of \$10 annually who signifies a wish to receive it. Application may be made to the Treasurer, who is Agent for the distribution of the Home Missionary in Massachusetts.

**STANDING RULE.**—The Missionary who makes his Reports to the Secretary of the Society *quarterly*, shall be entitled to quarterly drafts on the Treasury. Those who report *semi-annually*, shall be entitled to semi-annual drafts. Those who fail to render an *Annual Report on or before the first day of APRIL*, shall thereby forfeit the patronage of the Society, unless a sufficient excuse be rendered. In the Annual Report, definite answers to the following questions are required.

1. What is the number of rateable polls—also families—in your society?
2. What is the amount of your Society's valuation on the town assessors' book?
3. What proportion of it is in the hands of church members?
4. What aid do you receive from persons in your congregation not connected with your society?
5. What productive funds has your society?
6. What is your stipulated salary?
7. How is it raised—by tax or subscription?
8. Is it punctually paid?
9. What is the average number in your Sabbath congregations?
10. What is the number of your church members—male—female?
11. What additions during the year ending April 1st—by profession—by letter?
12. What the number of baptisms—adult—infant?
13. How many hopeful conversions have occurred?
14. What is the number in your Sabbath school and Bible class?
15. What progress has been made in temperance?
16. What is the amount of contributions to the Mass. Home Missionary Society?
17. What the amount contributed to all other religious charities?
18. What special encouragements or discouragements have you in your labors?

[In answering these inquiries, it will only be necessary to refer to their numerical designation, without transcribing them.]

## ANNUAL MEETING.

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THE MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY held its *Fifty-fourth* Annual Meeting for business at the room of their Executive Committee, 26 Cornhill, May 24, 1853,—REV. LEONARD WOODS, D. D. in the chair.

The meeting was opened with prayer by the President.

Rev. E. A. LAWRENCE was chosen clerk.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary.

The Treasurer presented his Report for the year, which was accepted.

*Voted*, That an abstract of the Executive Committee's Report be read by the Secretary at the public meeting this evening, and that the entire Report be then published under their direction.

The officers for the ensuing year were then chosen. (See next page.)

*Voted*, That the SECRETARY, and REV. E. A. LAWRENCE of Marblehead, be delegates from this body to the General Association of Massachusetts, to meet in June at Yarmouth.

*Voted*, That the Society now adjourn to meet in the Music Hall at 7½ o'clock this evening, to attend the public exercises of the Anniversary.

E. A. LAWRENCE, Clerk.

## PUBLIC MEETING.

A large audience assembled at the hour and place of adjournment, the President in the chair. The exercises were opened by an appropriate chant from the choir of Essex St. Church, followed by a prayer from Rev. RICHARD S. STORRS, D. D.

A brief abstract of the Annual Report was read by Rev. J. S. CLARK, the Secretary.

The following Resolutions were then presented.

1. *Resolved*, That the cause of Home Missions is a vital element in the great enterprises of Patriotism, Philanthropy, and Christian Benevolence. By Rev. SAMUEL WOLCOTT, of Providence R. I.

2. *Resolved*, That the success of the Home Missionary cause, as conservative of great and precious interests against many evil tendencies of the present time, ought to be dear to the heart of every Christian Patriot. By Rev. A. L. STONE, of Boston.

These were sustained by earnest and eloquent addresses from the movers.

The interest of the meeting was heightened by the bringing out of an original hymn, prepared for the occasion by Rev. N. ADAMS, D. D. of Boston, which will long be known and sung as the *American Home Missionary Hymn*. Much credit is due to the officiating choir for the admirable taste and skill with which they performed their part.

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## ANNUAL REPORT.

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For fifty-four years has the MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY been constantly occupied in publishing the gospel through various portions of our country, "where," in the words of its first constitution, "Christ is seldom or never preached." And the FIFTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT, which the Executive Committee now present, will show that the zeal of its patrons, and the success of their labors, never gave better promise of continuance and increase than at this moment.

### The Treasury.

The entire *receipts* from Massachusetts for the year ending May 5, 1863, amount to \$47,711 79; of which \$31,866 51 were paid into this Treasury, and \$15,345 28 into the Treasury at New York, according to the convenience of the donors; but all designed to accomplish the self-same purpose, through one and the same operation. Increase of receipts over those of the previous year, \$11,481 72.

The *disbursements* during the same period, for missionary service performed in this State, have been \$5,372 50; in defraying the proportion of incidental expenses pertaining to this Auxiliary, \$1,050 31; for missionary labors in other parts of the land, \$40,345 28; and there is now a balance in the Treasury of \$1,097 77, wherewith to commence the work of another year.

By inspecting the acknowledgements, it will be found that the legacies constitute a larger proportion than usual—amounting to \$16,080 12. It will also be seen that the donations from females have increased—making, with their part of the legacies, about *one-third* of our entire receipts. From long observation, the Executive Committee have come to regard their co-operation in the work of Home Missions as the most constant and reliable within their reach; and were all the Ladies' Associations as successful as some of them are, in turning the avails of their benevolent industry into money, it would also be the most productive of any.

### Congregational Collections.

The number of congregations in which collections have been taken up, either in the sanctuary on the Sabbath, or by individual solicitation from house to house, have not increased, as was confidently hoped from the action of the last General Association on this subject. In an able document, published in their minutes, that body earnestly requested each District Association or Auxiliary Society to adopt some system of benevolent collection within their respective bounds; and every Pastor to obtain by vote (if expedient) the sanction of his church; and every Secretary and Agent to aid, by every means in his power, the perfecting of some such arrangement, and to make an annual return to the Association of all the churches which have contributed to the object of which they have special charge, together with the sums given by each church, and whether given with or without the presence of an Agent. The grounds on which they rest this recommendation are the following, which deserve a place in the Report of every benevolent Society, as also among the records of all the churches:—

“1. Every church has a share in the gifts, commands and promises of the gospel.

“2. Bringing these subjects before the people for contribution increases their knowledge of the religious state of the world, and deepens their interest in its conversion.

“3. It strengthens their faith, and gives fervor to their prayers.

“4. It cultivates the spirit of benevolence, which is the spirit of Christ.

“5. It increases self-respect, making the Christian conscious that he shares with his brethren in the work of the Lord, and thus elevates the feebleness of churches.

"6. It makes it easier to support the gospel at home. If a pastor wishes to starve himself out, let him allow no contributions to be taken among his people for general objects. Aside from the good accomplished abroad, we cannot afford to dispense with our Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Bible distributions, etc., *as a means of grace at home*. They confer an incalculable benefit upon our churches, and no church at this day can prosper without them."

The Massachusetts Home Missionary Society has never had occasion to complain of being especially overlooked in the stated and systematic collections of the churches. And yet, of the four hundred and sixty churches enrolled on the minutes of the General Association, not more than two hundred and fifty can be reported as having made a congregational collection for Home Missions during the past year—leaving at least two hundred delinquent churches. Lest it should be thought that this neglect is referable to the extra and collateral effort in aid of the \$50,000 fund for building meeting-houses in the West, it ought to be stated in this connection, that, to a remarkable extent, the contributors to that fund are the most uniform and generous contributors to this treasury. It can hardly be supposed, that in every case the collection for Home Missions was as large as it would have been, had no call been made for an object so nearly identical with it. But the Committee have heard of very few churches whose donation to the latter *has taken the place* of a donation to the former. It is presumed that a collection for this Society might have been secured in nearly every congregation, had an Agent been sent to present its claims. But this would have required the services of four Agents in addition to the labors of the Secretary. And to show that the same thing *can* be done, without this extra expense, if the pastors and people will it, the Committee are happy to say that *four-fifths* of all the collections for the past year were taken up without the presence of an Agent.

#### Tabular View.

The following table gives a condensed view of Missionary operations in Massachusetts for the year now closing. In the column of missionaries, P. denotes *pastor*, and s. s. *stated supply*. The design of the other columns is sufficiently indicated by their respective headings. Against the name of each church, on the opposite page, will be found brief remarks illustrative of its present condition and future prospects.



Churches and Missionaries.	Date of Commission.	Length of com.	Dollars approp'd.	Average cong'n.	Church members.	Added by prof.	Added by letter.	Reported conv.	Infants baptized.	Sab. sch. & B. cl.	Contrib. to Home Missions.	Contributed to other objects.
1. ADAMS, <i>South</i> . Rev. J. Jay Dana, P. . . . .	April 1, 1852	12	175	160	93	7	12	8	191	40 00	156 51	
2. ALFORD. Rev. T. Woodbridge, D. D., s. s. .	Nov. 15, 1851	12	100		26				40			
3. ASHBURNHAM, <i>North</i> . Rev. J. D. Crosby, s. s. . . . .	June 1, 1852	12	100	100	58				90			
4. AUSTERLITZ, N. Y. Rev. Samuel Utley, P. . . . .	Jan. 1, 1853	12	100	100	45	1	6		60		40 00	
5. BOSTON, <i>German Evang.</i> Rev. Louis B. Schwarz, P. . . . .	Nov. 17, 1852	12	200	190	110	14	10	9	37	80	30 00	180 00
6. BURLINGTON. Rev. Eli Moody, s. s. . . . .	May 14, 1852	12	100	160	49					70	13 00	11 67
7. CANTON. Rev. Solomon Clark, P. . . . .	July 1, 1852	12	200	120	36	5		1		80	8 00	30 09
8. CARLISLE. Rev. S. W. Banister, P. . . . .	April 1, 1852	12	100	100	53			1		80		
9. CHESTER, <i>Factories</i> . Rev. J. C. Strong, s. s. . . . .	May 23, 1852	12	100	80	31					30	6 69	54 00
10. DANA, <i>Center</i> . Rev. John Keep, P. . . . .	Jan. 1, 1853	12	150	110	20	5	15		1	70	5 00	15 50
11. DOUGLAS. Rev. David Holman, s. s. . . . .	April 1, 1852	12	75	80	46		1	2	1	50		
12. DOVER. Rev. John Haskell, P. . . . .	June 20, 1852	12	100	70	40		1		1	40	4 00	12 00
13. GLOUCESTER, <i>North</i> . Rev. Edwin Seabury, s. s. . . . .	Aug. 12, 1852	12	175	160	42	2		1	2	75	10 50	28 25
14. GLOUCESTER, <i>West</i> . Rev. Levi Wheaton, P. . . . .	July 16, 1852	12	175	125	40				1	70		
15. HAVERHILL, <i>East</i> . Rev. Wales Lewis, P. . . . .	May 28, 1852	12	150	100	28				1	40	21 00	29 00
16. HINGHAM. Rev. E. Porter Dyer, P. . . . .	Sept. 15, 1852	12	200	175	22	1	1		2	45	6 50	42 10
17. HOLLAND. Rev. A. C. Page, P. . . . .	July 1, 1852	12	125	112	47					75	16 00	40 00
18. HOLYOKE, <i>2d church</i> . — Knight, P. . . . .	June 1, 1852	12	200	200	16	1		2		80		18 00
19. HOUSATONIC. Rev. R. G. E. Humphreys, P. . .	April 15, 1852	12	150		134	1	1		4	25	40 00	47 00
20. KINGSTON. Rev. Joseph Peckham, P. . . . .	Sept. 8, 1851	12	75	200	82	2	5			60		
21. LITTLETON. Rev. D. H. Babcock, P. . . . .	Feb. 1, 1852	12	125	65	38	3			3	50	16 00	80 00
22. LUDLOW, <i>Jenksville</i> . Rev. E. B. Wright, s. s. . . . .	April 1, 1852	12	125	100	12	1			1	50	14 00	20 00
23. LYNNFIELD. Rev. U. W. Condit, P. . . . .	Sept. 3, 1852	12	100	100	39	2		1		87	10 00	15 00
24. MARSHFIELD, <i>North</i> . Rev. Sumner Clark, P. . . . .	Jan. 1, 1853	12	50	100	36					75	10 00	42 21

## REMARKS.

1. It will be seen that the past has been a year of increase, and the church can hardly be classed any longer with the feeble. There is not a spot in Massachusetts where home missions have wrought a greater change on public morals in the same length of time.
2. At the close of his labors in Nov., Dr. W. reported "the ch. and soc. in a decidedly better state than ever before"—the Sab. congregations larger, the state of morals higher. The Com. have not yet learned who (if any body) has succeeded him. No statistical report.
3. The pastor was dismissed at his own request in September, and the present missionary has supplied the pulpit most of the time since. The meeting-house has been repaired and painted, and the Soc., formerly of several denominations, is becoming more homogeneous and united.
4. This ch., though beyond the State line, is ecclesiastically affiliated with the chhs. in Berkshire Co., Mass., and has been under the patronage of that Auxiliary for 3 years. It was therefore transferred with the others to the care of the M. H. M. Soc. Cause of weakness, schism.
5. It will be seen that there has been an unusually large ingathering into the church. Yet is the pastor constrained to report—"The future of my congregation lies in the dark; there is constant coming and going; and infidelity is doing what it can by the press, and anti-church associations."
6. The pastor was dismissed last May, and Mr. M. succeeded him. An increased attendance on public and social worship, a higher standard of effort for the support of the gospel, and a larger liberality towards benevolent objects, inspire new hope, as they indicate new life in the ch. and soc.
7. After years of discouragement, hope is again in the ascendant. The congregation increases. The Sab. sch. flourishes. It is now in contemplation to erect a new meeting-house—an important desideratum on account of the present location, if for no other reason.
8. Mr. B. was dismissed in Oct., and the pulpit stately supplied by Rev. J. Blake for one quarter. He was then succeeded by Rev. John Lawrence, who has been installed since the 1st of May. The Soc. are rising to a higher standard of effort for the support of religious institutions.
9. Progress slow, but perceptible. The liquor law has wrought a salutary change in the community. A Female Sewing Circle has been organized, and promises much good. The missionary has distributed many tracts and Testaments among the Catholics, which are well received.
10. The ch. and soc. at Storrsville have been disbanded, and most of the members, in connection with others, have organized anew at the Center under more promising circumstances. A spirited effort is now in progress for the erection of a new meeting-house, to be completed in the autumn.
11. During the year this little flock have been called to pass through serious trials, in the loss by death and emigration of some of their most able and influential members. Unless some unexpected ground of hope is discovered, this post must be abandoned before long.
12. Each year brings new evidence that this church will at length rise above the need of missionary assistance, and exert a commanding influence. The pastor, in his annual report, makes grateful mention of the harmony of his flock, and their kindness to him and his family.
13. "The general prospects of the Society are decidedly encouraging." They are now improving their place of worship at a cost of about \$500—a work greatly needed and unitedly undertaken. At the same time their contributions to benevolent objects do not fall off, but increase.
14. Though no accessions have been made to the ch., several have joined the Soc., and cheerfully take part in sustaining the ministry. The most discouraging item in the pastor's annual report is, *nothing given for benevolent objects*—which has been repeated now for four successive years!
15. The pastor's chief encouragement arises from his efforts with the young. One third of the cong. is comp. of persons under 20 yrs. of age, and one half under 25. Yet the tide of emigration sweeps the gr. part of them away after reaching that age. This, more than all oth. causes, kps. the soc. weak.
16. The progress that has hitherto characterized this enterprise during several previous years, has been seriously retarded by death and emigration during the year past. But hope looks beyond the present reverses, and sees encouraging prospects opening in the future.
17. The Soc. have exp. about \$60 on the meeting-house, and the ladies \$35 on the parsonage. There has been an adv. in benev. contributions—the result of monthly colls. in the ch. The chief discouragements arise from removals of valuable members, and the ref. of others to bear a just pr. of the burden.
18. The pulpit has been sup. chiefly by the Profs. of Am. Col. When the new meeting-house, now going up, is comp., a perm. ministry will be sust. without aid from this So. Nothing but reverses in the bus. interests of this "new city" has prev. the Soc. from rising to independence before this time.
19. This church and society have been brought into their present enfeebled circumstances partly through reverses in the manufacturing interests of the village, and partly through lack of harmony among the members. The prospects of the future are still cloudy. No statistical report has come.
20. After a struggle of 23 years, this church has risen, by a slow but constant progress, from infantile weakness to a condition of vigorous self-support, and now bids fair to be one of the most efficient coadjutors to the M. H. M. Soc., and to every other kindred institution. (See Appendix.)
21. Mr. B. was dismissed in Feb. The ch. and soc. continue harmonious, and will not suffer a long delay in refilling the pastoral office. The field is an important and hopeful one. The flock retain their early habits of benevolence, and are continually advancing towards self-support.
22. This is a manufacturing village. The great depression in the business of the place which occasioned a suspension of the ministry two years ago, has been so far relieved that the sanctuary is again opened, and miss'y aid renewed, though under circumstances less flattering than before.
23. After several years of successful effort to sustain the ministry without missionary aid, some unlooked-for reverses have brought this Society once more on the hands of charity, though with good reason to hope that its continuance there will be short. The meeting-house has been improved.
24. The meeting-house is about to be enlarged, and otherwise improved. Slowly but steadily has the ch. and soc. advanced from the weakness of infancy to the strength and stature which will enable them to relinquish their hold on the Missionary Society, when the present year expires.

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25. MELROSE. Rev. J. H. Northrup, <i>P.</i> . . . .	July 1, 1852	3	44	90	20	2		1		30		26 00
26. MONTGOMERY. Rev. J. C. Thompson, <i>s. s.</i> . . . .	June 1, 1852	6	100		36							
27. NEW SALEM. Rev. W. H. Hayward, <i>P.</i> . . . .	Nov. 1, 1852	12	200	75	25	2		5	75			20 00
28. NORTH CHELSEA. Rev. J. D. Farnsworth, <i>s. s.</i> . . . .	July 1, 1851	12	100		19					70		
29. ORANGE, <i>North.</i> Rev. B. F. Clarke, <i>s. s.</i> . . . .	April 21, 1852	12	175	50	25	2	1	1	30	24	00	56 00
30. PELHAM. Rev. W. S. Tyler, <i>s. s.</i> . . . .	April 1, 1852	12	100	90	53	3			60			
31. PITTSFIELD, <i>Colored.</i> Rev. Samuel Harrison, <i>P.</i> . . . .	Oct. 1, 1852	12	100	100	14			1	50			
32. PRESCOTT. Rev. S. B. Gilbert, <i>s. s.</i> . . . .	Oct. 1, 1852	12	100	75	30					65	10 00	10 00
33. ROWE. Rev. Jeremiah Pomeroy, <i>s. s.</i> . . . .	Mar. 1, 1853	12	150	40	28	2		1	30	2 00		5 54
34. SHUTESBURY. Rev. James Tisdale, <i>s. s.</i> . . . .	Oct. 15, 1852	12	100	100	56	5	4	1	60			
35. STERLING. Rev. W. B. Greene, <i>P.</i> . . . .	June 22, 1852	12	200	100	37	3			1	90		32 00
36. STOCKBRIDGE, <i>Curtisville.</i> Rev. W. H. Phelps, <i>P.</i> . . . .	May 1, 1852	12	100	125	65	3	1	2	100	9 79		45 50
37. TISBURY, <i>Holmes's Hole.</i> Rev. W. H. Sturtevant, <i>s. s.</i> . . . .	Jan. 1, 1853	12	150	80	20			4	1	53	18 00	12 00
38. TUBRO, <i>North.</i> Rev. S. J. M. Lord, <i>s. s.</i> . . . .	Nov. 17, 1852	12	100	140	22			5		75	2 00	14 70
39. WARWICK. Rev. R. C. Hatch, <i>P.</i> . . . .	Dec. 23, 1852	12	100	70	56					60	32 60	72 00
40. WASHINGTON. Rev. E. L. Clark, <i>P.</i> . . . .	Feb. 2, 1853	12	100	75	27					40		
41. WEST ROXBURY, <i>Jamaica Plain.</i> Rev. S. J. Humphrey, <i>s. s.</i> . . . .	Sept. 14, 1852	12	200	100	25	3	1			50		
42. WILLIAMSTOWN, <i>South.</i> Rev. J. A. Hazen, <i>s. s.</i> . . . .	Jan. 1, 1851	12	100		56							
43. WOBURN, <i>North.</i> Rev. George T. Dole, <i>P.</i> . . . .	July 1, 1852	12	200	175	52	2	2	1		90		
44. WRENTHAM, <i>North.</i> Rev. John Dwight, <i>s. s.</i> . . . .	Jan. 1, 1853	12	75	100	31	5			1	50	40 00	32 00
45. YARMOUTH, <i>West.</i> Rev. J. H. Wells, <i>P.</i> . . . .	Jan. 1, 1853	12	75	90	48	1			1	50	10 00	17 00

## REMARKS.

25. Mr. N.'s labors terminated with Sept., and no appropriation has since been granted, as no minister has since been resident among the people, tho' the pulpit has been stately supplied. A vigorous effort is now being made to remove a cumbersome debt, preliminary to the settlement of a pastor.

26. The Congregationalists and Methodists have constituted one worshipping assembly and Sab. sch., supplied on alternate Sabbaths by our miss'y and a Methodist. This union has been acceptable to all, and is deemed, on the whole, the best arrangement, so long as neither ch. can sust. a sep. meeting.

27. The want of a suitable place of worship has greatly retarded the growth of this enterprise. It is now determined, by the counsel and assistance of neighboring churches, to build a meeting-house during the present year. In other respects the affairs of the Soc. have undergone no essential change.

28. The minister's entire support has been furnished by his flock since his last commission expired in June, and the pecuniary resources of the Soc. are deemed sufficient to place them above the need of all further dependence on foreign aid. The Com. have learned since April 1 that Mr. F. has left.

29. Excepting a change of ministers, no important change has occurred during the year. All the tokens of Providence, however, foreshadow the ultimate, though gradual, restoration of this waste place to the condition of a productive field, through the spiritual husbandry of Home Missions.

30. This discouraged flock has been favored with the stated labors of Prof. Tyler of Am. Coll. during year past, which they hope to retain for the year to come. The Ex. Com. have rendered some small aid in carrying out this arrangement, as the support of a resident minister at present is impossible.

31. Only 21 families give an average cong. of 100 on the Sab.; and their interest in the ministry is still farther testified by the fact that they pay for its sup. more than three per cent of their valuation. The pastor reports a good state of feeling in the church, but mourns the lack of conversions.

32. Mr. Birchard, who was in commission at the time of our last Report, declined a call to settle and left the field in June. After several months of destitution Mr. G.'s services were secured, and he was installed in Feb. No other place of worship is now open in the vicinity of his church.

33. The result of the last year's experiment to resuscitate this almost extinct ch., encourages the Com. to renew their aid another year. The missionary reports an increasing attendance on public worship, and an evident decay of old prejudices. Hope is now in the ascendant.

34. The addition of 9 to the ch. is chiefly the fruit of a revival noticed in our last Report. The encouragement thus afforded to the patrons of Home Missions will suffer some abatement, as they look over the statistics and see *nothing* contributed to any object of charity during the year.

35. This infant ch. was organized on the 22d of last June. The town has a pop. of nearly 2,000, and 3 other religious societies, viz., Unitarian, Universalist, and Baptist. The two last are small. This attempt to restore the faith and order of the fathers is commenced under peaceful and hopeful auspices.

36. Four additions to the church, and two hopeful conversions are among the tokens of divine favor vouchsafed to this community during the year past, though the village still lies under pecuniary embarrassments, and irreligion is not all suppressed. The population are fluctuating.

37. Since the labors of Mr. S. commenced, attendance on public worship has increased, and during a portion of the winter religion has revived, and "several very interesting cases of conversion" are reported. The prospects of the Society have never been more hopeful.

38. Lights and shadows have flitted across the missionary's path during the year—the spirit of contention between the two denominations (Congregationalists and Methodists) which compose his flock, and the converting Spirit of the Lord.

39. This church and society appear to have reached a stationary point, except in the department of contributions to benevolent objects. No missionary field in Massachusetts yields better returns in this respect, according to its resources. In ministerial support it is otherwise.

40. To encourage the settlement of a pastor, the Ex. Com., by recommendation of the Berkshire Auxiliary, have been induced to extend once more to this feeble flock a helping hand. Mr. C. was installed in February, and already reports an increasing congregation.

41. A new and promising enterprise, in a thriving village of two to three thousand souls. Public worship has been stately held since May, 1852. An ecclcs. soc. was formed in Oct., and a church of 21 members organized in February. Mr. H. commenced his labors in September.

42. The Com. have received no notice that a minister has been secured since the last missionary year expired, and have therefore made no new appropriation. A contemplated rail-road through this part of the town gives promise of growth to the place. No statistical report.

43. About 7 years ago, religious services, under the ministry of Rev. S. Sewell, of Burlington, were opened in a school-house. In 1849 a Soc. was organized, a meeting house built, and a ch. of 40 members gath'd. Mr. S. left the field last June, and Mr. D. installed in Oct. They will soon be independent.

44. After the Com. had rendered their last Annual Report, they were solicited to make an appropriation to this ch. for one year from the preceding Jan., which they did; and have consented to renew the grant another year, but with no expectation that there will be need of its continuance.

45. A growing purpose to sustain the interests of religion, especially on the part of the young men, an increase of moral power emanating from an established and well-ordered Congregational society in this community, are perceptible and cheering tokens. The days of dependence will be short.

### Summary.

The number of Missionary fields under the care of this Society the past year, in Massachusetts, is 45—a smaller number than has been reported for the last 24 years, and affording renewed assurance that every reclaimable waste in the State shall yet be reclaimed.

At 26 of these stations, pastors are sustained; the remaining 19 are statedly supplied. Five pastors have been dismissed, and five have been settled during the year. In other words, *one-fifth* of the pastors have exchanged places. Including the stated supplies, seventeen missionaries, or nearly *one-third* of the entire list, are new names. From this it appears that ministers in the pastoral office, changeful as they are, are much more permanent than those who are merely hired from year to year.

The average number of families under the spiritual watch of a missionary is 27, who furnish an average Sabbath congregation of 104—making, in the aggregate, 1,240 families, and 5,920 regular attendants on public worship. About half of those who visit the sanctuary, viz., 2,876, are connected with the Sabbath schools.

The churches number 1,890 members. The additions the past year were 67 by profession, and 69 by letter; total additions 136; and there have been reported 41 hopeful conversions.

To various objects of Christian benevolence these feeble churches and congregations have contributed about \$2,000—which is a return into the treasury of the Lord of 40 per cent on all that they have received from this Society during the same time. Every missionary is particularly instructed to inculcate this spirit of liberality, and by “every means in his power to promote the great enterprises of Christian benevolence” among the people of his charge. Nor can the Committee doubt, after years of attentive observation, that the poor, no less than the rich, find it “more blessed to give than to receive;” that the reflex influence of a generous donation for a worthy object of charity, does more to strengthen a feeble church than an equal amount of aid received.

One meeting-house has been built, three are now in a process of building, and five have been enlarged or repaired, at an expense of several thousand dollars.

### Tract Distribution.

Through the generosity of the American Tract Society at Boston, your Secretary has been permitted to draw orders on their Depository for Tracts, to be distributed gratuitously by our missionaries, to the value of \$75; and they have availed themselves with avidity of this important auxiliary to their missionary usefulness. Should that

Society be disposed to repeat the favor, they may be sure that it will be gratefully received and faithfully dispensed, and returned at length in a harvest of ripened fruits.

"The precious seed shall not be lost,  
For grace secures the crop."

### Ministerial Support.

The average salary received by the missionaries in Massachusetts, the past year, was \$437. This is not larger than it was ten years ago, when the staple articles of family expense were twelve or fifteen per cent *less* than they are now. Of course, \$437 was more than enough to sustain a minister's family at that time, or considerably less than enough at present; and nobody, after a moment's reflection, can doubt which. The fact has become painfully evident, that at a time of great general prosperity, and in a land of abounding wealth, ministerial support is suffering an unusual depression; and unless it be adjusted to the increased expense of living, as almost every other department of labor has been, there will be an alarming increase of vacant churches; or, what perhaps would be still worse, a blending of some secular calling with the sacred office, as a means of subsistence while preaching the Word. This latter alternative would be going back to a state of things that produced a large proportion of the "old wastes" which this Society is now laboring to reclaim; and while, for their encouragement, God in his good providence "speaks peace unto his people and to his saints," he also adds, "*but let them not turn again to folly.*"

In regard to those who minister to the churches under our patronage, the impression obtains to some extent, that this Society is responsible for the amount of their salaries, and must make the adjustment themselves. But it is not so. Wherever there is an ecclesiastical organization of our order, the members of it have the sole responsibility, not only of selecting their minister, but also of fixing his salary; and as Congregationalists, the Executive Committee take studious care not to infringe that right. Every commission which they give, tells the missionary who receives it, that the congregation therein named, having chosen him as their minister, and designated \$—— as the sum necessary for his support, and having represented that they need and desire help in furnishing this sum, the Executive Committee have appointed him as their missionary to labor in that place, to receive \$—— *as part of his stipulated salary*, and to derive the remainder of his support from the people to whom he ministers. Both in theory and practice, it is the ecclesiastical society.

(not the minister) that the appropriation is designed to relieve. The only sense in which it can be viewed as an act for his relief is, that it enables his people to fulfill the contract which they (not the Executive Committee) have made with him for his support. If he cannot subsist on his present salary, he—like any other minister—is to look to the people of his charge for its increase. If they cannot increase it to the needed amount, they may look to the Missionary Society for aid in doing it. But in no case can the Committee properly intermeddle with the pecuniary relations of the ministry.

### **Auxiliaries.**

Within the bounds of the State, there are seventeen Societies, auxiliary to this, each embracing one or more ministerial associations, viz., Barnstable Conference, Berkshire and Columbia Missionary Society, the Society for Mutual Assistance of Churches in Brookfield Association, Essex North Conference, Essex South Conference, Franklin County Home Missionary Society, Hampden County Home Missionary Society, Hampshire Missionary Society, Harmony Conference, Middlesex South Conference, Religious Charitable Society of Middlesex North and Vicinity, Norfolk County Domestic Missionary Society, Old Colony Domestic Missionary Society, Pilgrim Conference, Taunton and Vicinity Conference, Worcester Central Conference, and Worcester North Conference. These have hitherto stood in various relations to the Parent Institution;—some acting only as coadjutors in collecting funds; others extending their supervision to the business of finding out and recommending such feeble churches among themselves as were deemed worthy of patronage; while others still have retained the right to determine the sums to be appropriated within their bounds, subject to the approval and acceptance of the Parent Society. But after full trial, all these Auxiliaries have, of their own accord, passed over to this Board the responsibility of deciding in every case, what sum, if any, shall be appropriated—and are now confining their efforts chiefly to the collection of funds. The help thus afforded in replenishing the Treasury furnishes the true answer to the question, often asked, "How does the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society collect so large an amount of funds with so little agency?" The plans for systematic contribution which some of the Auxiliaries have devised, if adopted by all, would secure an annual collection from every congregation in the State, and probably double the Society's receipts, without adding a dollar to its expenses.

### **The Field at Large.**

The operations of the AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY, to which all the energies of this are subsidiary, have been conducted on a larger scale, and have yielded richer returns the year past, than ever before. With an income of \$171,734 77, not less than 1,087 ministers of the gospel have been employed for different periods, amounting in the aggregate to 878 years, preaching the word in eight different languages, at 2,160 stations among the needy, scattered over 27 States and Territories. Among the more obvious and immediate fruits of their labors they report 6,079 members added to the churches under their care, of which 3,362 came in on profession and 2,717 by letter; 2,888 hopeful conversions, including the subjects of 56 revivals of religion; 47 churches organized by them, and 39 others under their ministry brought up to the condition of self-support; besides 54 houses of worship built, and 66 others begun. In nearly all these results there has been a cheering advance on those of the previous year, viz., in receipts, \$11,671; in number of missionaries, 22; in years of ministerial labor, 16; and in congregations of the destitute supplied, 212,—the most distant having shared largest in proportion to their former supply. It must be a source of unspeakable gladness to all the members of this Auxiliary to know that their benefactions have contributed in no small degree to the attainment of these great results; that "more than one fourth of the entire revenue of the National Society," for the last two years, as its late Report gratefully acknowledges, has been derived from Massachusetts. The friends of this Institution in Massachusetts, therefore, may be expected to give the first and fullest response to the pious sentiment with which that Report closes: "Let it be our fervent prayer, that while the Society is enlarged and strengthened, its agents multiplied, and its means increased, Infinite Wisdom will guide its counsels, and lead it on through a long career of hallowed enterprise and usefulness, until the day when "the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established in the tops of the mountains and exalted above the hills, and all nations shall flow unto it."

### **Silent Progress of the Work.**

Every year brings new evidence that the grand results of Home Missions are to be reached, not so much by a sudden and startling movement among the masses, as by a silent and gradual change. The recovery of "old wastes," and the culture of new fields in Massachusetts—embracing the ground occupied by nearly two-fifths of all the churches belonging to our denomination in the State—has been



accomplished in this way. The same is true on the field at large. In almost every case, the movement originated with a few individuals, and has been brought to a successful issue through a process so gradual and quiet as scarcely to attract notice from without;—"like leaven which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened"—"like a grain of mustard seed" growing at length to a tree—like corn springing up, "first the blade, then the ear, then the full corn in the ear." Indeed, this appears to be the established law of development in the gospel kingdom, whether we look for it in the teachings of Christ, or the history of the Church. "The voice of one crying," not in the thronged streets of the world's metropolis, but "in the wilderness of Judea," heralded the coming of that kingdom. And when it was actually set up in the world, it was the noiseless operation of what seemed only a carpenter's son, attended by a few common fishermen. In the same manner it was communicated from heart to heart, from individual to individual. John points out to Andrew "the Lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world." The next day Andrew introduces his own brother, Simon Peter. Jesus calls Philip to follow him; and "Philip findeth Nathanael," his townsman and friend. A woman of Samaria, in a brief conversation with Christ, whom she meets at the well, becomes a believer. Immediately she propagates the faith among her neighbors, and "many more" believe. And even that great Pentecostal movement, where three thousand were converted in one day, and in one place, if we consider its relations to the world, will appear to be only the preparation of so many individuals, to act the part of Andrew and Philip, and the Samaritan woman, each in his own separate sphere, among the widely dispersed families and neighborhoods and nations from which they severally came, and to which they returned. It was the deposit of so many particles of leaven in different portions of the great mass, each diffusing its own nature to other adjacent particles, and through these to others still. If we follow these converts to their respective homes, with the lamp of ecclesiastical history in our hands, we shall find a Christian church springing up, and a Christian influence starting forth in nearly every community over the wide world that was represented at Jerusalem on that memorable day. Take a single case—those "strangers of Rome," for example. They disappear from our view when the scenes of that day are over. And shall we ever hear from them again? Yes: after the lapse of more than twenty years we find an Apostle writing "to all that be in Rome, beloved of God, called to be saints,"—apparently a large and flourishing church,—and thanking his God that their "faith is spoken of throughout the world." Who planted that church?—for neither Paul nor Peter, nor any other Apostle had then seen Rome. Who were

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the honored instruments in the production of this great result? Put this question to the earliest Christian Fathers; consult all authentic sources of information; send conjecture forth; and still the most probable conclusion to which we arrive in the absence of all positive information is, that the prime movers in this enterprise were those "strangers of Rome," whom we saw at Jerusalem on the day of Pentecost—gone home now, and gone to work—the hidden leaven showing itself only in its effects. The operation was so gradual and silent, that even the names of its actors cannot now be ascertained; and yet so powerful that in twenty years it had made itself felt throughout the Roman empire.

By a similar process the gospel has triumphed in every other place where its triumph has yet been achieved. It was six hundred years—these small circles of Christian influence all the while enlarging, this leaven of the new religion continually extending—it was six hundred years before the island of our pagan ancestors was reached. A feeble band of missionaries at length make a beginning; and are baffled. The fear of what may befall them on their arrival among the barbarians overcomes their resolution to proceed; and so the first mission falls through. The attempt is renewed soon after. By little and little, after one reinforcement and another, the truth penetrates the mass of barbarism, and Christianity sits enthroned as the national religion on the island of Great Britain. A thousand years later it is brought from that land to this, and the process of leavening a new continent is now going on here. A handful of Puritans, too few to be missed from their native land, commence an operation on these shores, too small to attract any notice abroad. Had they all perished on their way, as half of them did during the first six months after their arrival, it would hardly have stirred a ripple on the current of human affairs; it would hardly have found a record on the pages of earth's history. And yet from this hidden beginning there have come forth results already so immense, that were they *now* to be blotted out, the world would seem undone.

Thus are we taught to look at the final triumph of this enterprise as an event to be brought about by a silent and progressive influence, operating through one individual and community on another, rather than by a sudden, and revolutionary movement. If this be indeed God's method, let us graduate our expectations and shape our endeavors accordingly. He who can hear the Lord's voice only when he speaks in the earthquake, will seldom hear it; for earthquakes are not common. He who can see no progress towards the conversion of the world only when we are borne along on the wings of a tornado, must expect, and *ought* to expect, to "die without the sight;" for this is

not God's ordinary method. And even when on rare occasions this seems to be the method adopted, we shall find by a closer inspection, that it is only a consummation reached through a series of subordinate events, each proceeding from some smaller one going before it—the last and the largest proceeding from and depending on the first and the least. So that when a nation shall be born in a day, (as we are confidently expecting,) it will be but the final issue to which innumerable unobserved movements are now all the while silently tending:—just as the battle of Waterloo, which lasted but seven hours, and changed the destiny of Europe and the world, was not the work of that one day, but of all the days which were spent in planning the campaign, of all the months which it took to assemble the allied powers, and of all the years which those veteran forces passed in camp and field during previous wars, acquiring the bravery and the skill requisite for that one achievement, and to do the work of those seven short hours. He, therefore, who can do nothing in furtherance of Christ's kingdom till some great result is in immediate prospect, is of but little use in the service of that kingdom; for when the result has been brought so near, it will doubtless find an issue without his aid. Those who can be moved by no divine tokens till they see the "New Jerusalem coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband;" or can hear no celestial voice addressed to them till they hear that "great voice out of heaven, saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God," will not be permitted, for they will not be prepared to join in the chorus, which, "as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunders," will be heard, saying, "ALLELUIA FOR THE LORD GOD OMNIPOTENT REIGNETH."

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr. The Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in account with Benjamin Perkins, Treasurer. Cr.

To paid Missionaries the past year, . . .	\$5,372 25	By balance last year, . . .	\$730 82
" American Home Missionary Society, . . .	25,000 00	" Contributions and Legacies, . . .	80,152 45
" Agency, traveling expenses, &c., . . .	1,060 31	" Income from Fund, . . .	837 06
" A. B. C. F. M. from Mrs. Osborne's Fund, . . .	77 00	" For Bank Stock and payment on Mortgage, . . .	800 00
Balance to new account, . . .	1,097 77	" From Mrs. Osborne's Fund, . . .	77 00
	<u>\$32,597 33</u>		<u>\$32,597 33</u>

Boston, May 16th, 1863.

BENJAMIN PERKINS, TREASURER.

Boston, May 19, 1863. I have examined the above account and find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

J. M. GORDON, AUDITOR.

NOTE.—In addition to the foregoing receipts, \$15,345 28, in the form of donations, contributions, and legacies, have been forwarded to the American Home Missionary Society from different parts of the State, which are not included in this Report, because they did not pass through this Treasury.

## DONATIONS,

FROM MAY 16, 1852, TO MAY 16, 1853.

Abington, 2d Cong. Ch. and Society,	12 50
Legacy of Edward Cobb, in part,	300 00
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Amesbury and Salisbury Mills, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	40 00
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Union Cong. Soc. 20 00; 20 00,	
West, Rev. Mr. Payne's Soc. coll. 24 22; mon. conc. 31 14, to const.	
Mrs. Jane Stickney, Mrs. Susan Davis and Mrs. Annette Stickney L. M.	115 36
Amberst, West Parish, Ladies' Sewing Soc.	12 00
John Leland,	20 00
to const. Richard B. Bridgeman a L. M.	30 00
Cong. Ch. and Soc.	187 54
Mrs. Elizabeth Haven,	180 00
Andover, Soc. of Inquiry, Phillips Academy, to const. J. Quincy Bittinger and	
Joseph Bloomer L. M.	60 00
Mrs. Dr. Woods,	5 00
North Parish, Rev. Mr. Briggs's Soc.	100 00
Rev. Joseph Emerson, to cons. Benj. B. Emerson, Esq., Nashua, a L. M.	30 00
West, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	18 00
Ashburnham, Geo. Rockwood, 2; Anna B. Rockwood, 1,	3 00
Ashby, Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Rev. Worcester Willey a L. M.	57 12
Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Dr. Leonard French a L. M.	41 00
Athol, Rev. Mr. Norton's Soc.	37 20
Attleboro', Female Benev. Soc.	38 22
West, Female Miss. Soc.	21 25
Auburndale, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	140 79
Barre, Evan. Ch. and Soc. to cons. Rev. C. M. Nickels and Mrs. M. W. Nickels,	
L. M.	111 50
Bedford, Trinitarian Soc. mon. con. 15 10; Female Char. Asso. 7,	22 10
Berkley, mon. conc. 1 30; 3,	4 30
Berkshire and Columbia H. M. Soc., L. Church, Treas., including \$65 03 from	
the 1st Ch. Pittsfield, viz. 60 from Sab. sch. to const. Washington Root	
and Joel S. Page, L. M., 100 from an individual to const. Rev. Samuel	
Harrison, Life Direc., bal. to const. Joseph White, Abiel Cady, Dea.	
George McElwaine, Marshall Pierce and Silas Bingham, of Hinsdale,	
L. M.	500 00
Berkshire and Columbia H. M. Soc., L. Church, Treas.	75 00
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Beverly, avails of a mortgage given by the late Dr. Joseph Torrey,	200 00
Washington St. Soc. to const. Mrs. Jonathan Batchelder a L. M.	58 00
Dane St. Ch. and Soc.	106 90
Berlin, Mrs. Hannah Harshorne,	3 00
Billerica, Rev. Mr. Stearns's Soc. mon. conc.	20 00
Braintree, South, Rev. Mr. Hammond's Soc. Ladies' Sew. Cir. 32; coll. 8,	40 00
Boston, Elizabeth Chaffin,	1 00
Legacy of Miss Catharine G. Kimball,	50 00
A Friend, 10; Mrs. Joanna Ryan, 10,	20 00
Phillips Ch. mon. conc.	27 86
Essex St. Ch. and Soc. bal. of cont. 1851,	103 00
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Park St. Ch. to const. Mr. Jeremiah Hurd and Mrs. Edwin Lamson L. M.	742 18
Salem St. Ch. and Soc.	151 60
Maverick Ch.	45 94
Mt. Vernon Ch. and Soc.	707 75
Phillips Ch. and Soc. to const. Rev. Forrest Jefferds, William Park, Jr.,	
Francis E. Park, Miss Lydia W. Thayer, Miss Anne E. Dearborn and	
Miss Susan W. Smith, L. M.	300 75
Old South Ch. and Soc.	559 55
Shawmut Ch. and Soc.	156 45
Winter St. Ch. and Soc.	633 65

Boston, Mrs. Hannah Kilham,	10 00
Miss Mullikin's Class, Central Ch. S. S.	2 00
Bridgewater, Scotland Parish,	12 38
North, Porter Evan. Ch. and Soc.	174 22
Boxford, West, Fem. Char. Soc.	5 00
Braintree, 1st Parish, quarterly collections, 17; 19; 17; 19,	72 00
Rev. Dr. Storr's Soc. mon. conc.	53 00
1st Parish, Ladies' H. M. Soc. to const. Mrs. Mary Ann Wilder and Mrs. Mary Hollis, L. M.	71 50
A Friend,	100 00
Ladies' Sew. Cir. in S. Cong. Soc. to const. Rev. Wm. B. Hammond a L. M.	50 00
Braintree and Weymouth, Un. Ch. and Soc. ladies, 19 83; juv. soc. 5 21; coll. 20 57,	45 65
Brookfield, legacy of Elizabeth Ellis, in part,	40 00
Assoc. S. M. Lane, Treas. viz., Spencer Ch. and Soc. 108; New Braintree do. 65 50; Oakham do. 33 66; coll. at meeting of conf. 13 63,	221 16
Evan. Cong. Soc.	28 00
North, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	22 00
Ware, 1st par. 50 75; Southbridge, 129 75,	180 51
Holland, Ladies' Cent Soc. 17; Dana, 5; North Brookfield Cong. Soc. 30,	102 00
Bradford, Rev. Mr. Munroe's Soc.	68 06
Brookline, Harvard Ch. and Soc.	172 00
Boylston, Charles E. Allen,	1 00
Brimfield, legacy of Aaron Bliss, with interest, 20,	120 00
Cong. Ch. and Soc.	71 00
Burlington, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	16 50
Cambridgeport, Ev. Cong. Soc.	123 10
Cambridge, Shepard Cong. Soc., coll. 75 48; monthly concert, 88 73,	165 21
Canton, Cong. Soc.	8 00
Carver, North, Ezra Lucas,	2 00
Charlestown, A Friend,	5 00
Winthrop Ch. and Soc.	515 60
Charlton, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	21 95
Chatham, Cong. Soc.	40 00
Chelsea, Broadway Ch. and Soc. 36; 4,	39 00
Winnisimmet "	103 38
Chicopee, Mr. Leman A. Moody, to const. him a L. M.	30 00
Cohasset, Rev. Mr. Reed's Soc.	12 00
Conway, Austin Rice, by E. D. Hamilton,	50 00
Cinton, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	58 19
Dahon, gift of Miss Sarah H. Chamberlin, deceased, by her sister, Miss H. A. Chamberlin, to const. her a L. M.	200 40
Danvers, Ladies' H. M. Soc. in Rev. Mr. Fletcher's Soc.	48 15
South, Ch. and Soc.	210 10
Dartmouth, Cong. Ch. and Soc. in full to const. Capt. James Rider and Mr. John Southworth, L. Members,	50 00
Dedham, Mrs. Jerusha Bingham,	3 25
Female H. M. Society, in Rev. Mr. Burgess's Soc.	55 00
Dorchester, Ladies' H. M. Society, in Rev. Mr. Means' Soc.	170 00
Rev. Mr. Means' Soc. 40 from T. D. Quincy to const. Miss Martha A. Quincy a L. M.; 30 from James Clap to const. Miss Betsey Clap a L. M.	225 00
Nepouset H. M. Circle to const. Miss Catherine D. Foster a L. M.	40 06
Village Ch. to const. Mrs. Daniel T. Noyes a L. M.	46 41
Dover, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	5 00
Dracut, 1st Cong. Ch.	17 95
Cong. Ch. and Soc.	50 00
Rev. Mr. Merrill's Soc.	13 80
Dndley, Rev. Dr. Bates' Soc.	62 75
Dunstable, Legacy of Mrs. Alice Fletcher,	15 00
Rev. Mr. Adams' Soc. to const. Mr. Moses Davis a L. M.	35 82
East Bridgewater, Rev. Mr. Sanford's Soc.	22 75
East Hampton, Samuel Williston,	150 00
Payson Ch. and Soc.	126 67
Enfield, Benevolent Society, to const. Horatio Brown and Austin Crosby, L. M's.	550 00
Essex, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	25 00
Essex North, Aux. Soc. James Caldwell, Treas.:	
Rowley, Rev. Mr. Pike's Soc.	50 20
Newburyport, Rev. Mr. Campbell's Soc. to const. Mrs. Sarah Kimball and Mrs. Mary Parker, L. Members,	60 00
Newburyport, Rev. Dr. Dimmick's Soc. coll. 224 70; mon. con. 36 24; a Friend 1; to const. Mrs. Lydia Hodge, Mrs. Mary A. Brewster, Mrs. Sarah Danforth, Miss Elizabeth Bassett, Mrs. Sophronia L. Dole, Wm. H. Wells, and Moses P. Case, Life Members,	261 94

Essex North, Aux. Soc. (continued.)	
Newbury, Rev. Mr. Fisk's Soc., Ladies, 181 80; Gentlemen, 30; to const.	
Mrs. D. M. Rousseau, Mrs. Mary A. Bisbee, Ruth A. Boardman, Dr.	
E. P. Grosvenor, Stephen Little, Jr., Samuel Moody, and Sprague	
Chase, L. Members,	211 80
Collected at meeting in Ipswich,	25 81
Fairhaven, 1st Ch. and Soc.	72 47
Fall River, Young Ladies' Social Circle in Central Ch. and Soc.	150 00
Falmouth, Rev. Mr. Hooker's Soc.	155 00
Dea. Benjamin Hatch,	5 00
East, Waquoit,	8 00
Fitchburg, Religious Char. Soc. to const. Artemas T. Andrews, Abram Osborne,	
2d, Edward Smith, and Dr. A. Hitchcock, L. Members,	135 72
Ladies' H. M. Soc. to const. Mrs. Amelia P. Hitchcock, Mrs. Martha B.	
Dole, and Mrs. Mary B. Ide, L. Members,	115 00
Forboro', Orthodox Ch. and Soc.	74 53
Frammingham, Hollis Evangelical Soc.	80 00
Franklin, Rev. Mr. Hunt's Soc.	75 00
Franklin Co. H. M. Soc., S. S. Eastman, Treas.:	
Shutesbury, Fem. Benev. Soc., 10; Ashfield, Ladies' Assoc., 16 30; Cong.	
Soc. 13; a Lady, 5; Warwick Trin. Soc. 15, Sunday School, 7;	
Greenfield, 1st Parish, (30 of which to const. Dea. Levi Stone a L. M.)	
43 25; 2d Cong. Soc. 108; a Friend, 2,	219 45
Soc. Deerfield, legacy of Solomon P. Fitch, 33; Greenfield Cong. Soc.	
3 05; Warwick Gent's Assoc. 10 60; Gill Cong. Soc. 13; Shelburne	
Falls, 25,	84 65
West Hawley, 2 50; Heath, 4 83; South Deerfield 1st Soc., Greenfield	
2d Soc. mon. con. 30, to const. Florence B. Child a L. M.	41 63
Sunderland, to const. Martin Hubbard and Dr. Washington Miller, L.	
Members, 63 21; Deerfield Orthodox Soc. to const. Dea. Samuel Childs,	
a L. M.; Rowe, mon. concert, 2,	99 43
Northfield Trin. Soc. 5 41; Bernardston Orthodox Soc. 24 53; W. Charle-	
mont Ladies' Benev. Soc. 8 40; Charlemont 1st Cong. Soc. 12; W.	
Hawley, N. Vincent, 1; Montague, Gent. and Ladies' Assoc. to const.	
William Nevins a L. M. 55 81; Ashfield Ladies' Assoc. 22 07—129 22	
Deduct printing Report, 20 00—	109 22
Buckland, Cong. Soc. 51 71; Charlemont Ladies' 1st Soc. 15; Ashfield	
Gents. 1st Soc. in full, to const. Dea. Asa Sanderson a L. M. 23; Conway	
Cong. Soc. 179 04; Shelburne, Ladies, 37 30, Gents, 30,	336 05
Gloucester Harbor, Ladies' H. M. Soc. to const. Mrs. Mary Swift a L. M.	30 00
Greenwich, Ladies' Dom. Miss. Soc. to const. Mrs. Lydia Kelley a L. M.	37 00
Grantville, Mrs. Mary Kent,	50
Rev. Mr. Barrows' Soc. 3 06; 45 50,	48 56
Gloucester Harbor, Cong. Soc. mon. con. to const. Mr. John W. Low a L. M.	31 62
Georgia, a Friend,	17 00
Georgetown, Rev. Mr. Prince's Soc.	83 02
Granby, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	153 00
Legacy of Amos Perry,	10 00
Holden, Legacy of Mahala Hubbard, in part,	22 33
Hadley, Plainville School District, for Western Missions,	8 00
Harwich, Mrs. Mercy Rogers, 2; 2,	4 00
Hampden Co. H. M. Soc., H. Brewer, Jr., Treas. (143 of which from Ladies'	
Sewing Soc., South Ch., Springfield, for support of a missionary at the	
West; 30 from Rev. Mr. Bower's Soc., No. Wilbraham, to const.	
Lorin Phelps a L. M.)	963 00
Springfield, Dr. Osgood's Soc. Ladies, to const. Mrs. Saml. Osgood, Mrs.	
John Mills, Mrs. Albert Morgan, Mrs. Harvey Bliss, and Mrs. Henry	
Fuller, Jr., L. Members; North Wilbraham, Ladies' Benev. Soc. to	
const. Mrs. Chloe Kibbe and Mrs. Eunice Kilburn, L. Members, 60 53,	600 00
Hampden Co. H. M. Soc., to const. Rev. Sylvester Hine, of Palmer, Rev. Mr.	
Boies, of Longmeadow, Dea. S. F. Scamman, of Chicopee Falls, and	
Jefferson Alden, of Chicopee, L. Members; 100 from Mr. Geo. Mer-	
riam, to const. him a Life Director,	643 00
(60 of which from Cong. Soc., Palmer, to const. Dea. Calvin Nutting and	
William Brainerd, L. Members; 168 from Mr. Charles Merriam,	
Springfield, for support of a missionary at the West,) 758 00	
Hampden Co. H. M. Soc., H. Brewer, Jr., Treas. : Legacy of Thomas Bond, Esq.	
late of Springfield, by E. W. Bond, Esq., Executor,	1000 00
Holliston, Rev. Mr. Tucker's Soc., to const. Dea. T. Daniels a L. M. 62 98; 6,	68 98
Hopkinton Ladies' Miss. Soc. to const. Mrs. Ann M. Ober and Miss Betsey	
Walker, L. Members,	65 58
Rev. Mr. Webster's Soc.	17 27
Legacy of Samuel Goddard,	161 75

Haverhill, Centre Ch., monthly coll. 23 54; special coll. 112 21, to const. Rev. B. F. Hosford, Life Director, and Miss Harriet West, a L. M.	138 75
Rev. Mr. Lewis's Soc.	21 00
Alfred Kittredge, Esq. to const. him a L. M.	30 00
Halifax, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	5 00
Hingham, Rev. Mr. Dyer's Soc.	6 50
Harwich, Cong. Soc.	20 00
Hadley, North, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	30 00
2d Cong. Soc.	19 50
Haverhill, North, and Plaistow, a few individuals,	9 75
Ipswich, Rev. Mr. Southgate's Soc.	68 83
Rev. Mr. Fitz's Soc.	40 00
Rev. Caleb Kimball,	30 00
Linebrook Ladies, 8 25; Gent, 6 50,	14 75
Kingston, 2d Ch. and Soc. in full, to const. Mr. Thos. Newcomb a L. M. 5 25; 10,	15 25
Lynnfield, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	10 00
Lowell, 1st Cong. Ch. and Soc.	53 00
Appleton St. Ch. and Soc. 8 28; 6 04,	14 32
John St. Ch. and Soc.	48 25
Lawrence, Mr. Geo. H. Bailey,	5 00
Central Cong. and Soc.	20 00
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 Stickney, Mrs Jane do.  
 Stockbridge, Mrs Abigail, North Hadley  
 Stockwell, Leonard, Grafton  
 Stone, Albert, do.  
 Stone, Rev Cyrus, Boston  
 Stone, Levi, Greenfield  
 Stone, Luther, East Douglas  
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 Stone, Rev T. D. P., Westboro'  
 Stone, Mrs Phebe C. do.  
 Storrs, R. S., D. D., Braintree  
 \*Storrs, Mrs R. S. do.  
 Storrs, Mrs Ann, do.  
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 Street, Philo W., West Springfield  
 Strong, Lewis, Northampton  
 Styles, Phineas, Warwick

- Sumner, John, Newburyport,  
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 Swallow, Joseph, Dunstable  
 Sweet, Joseph, Shelburne  
 Sweetser, Howard, Amherst  
 Sweetser, Miss Sally, Newburyport  
 Sweetser, Luke, Amherst  
 Taft, Miss Amanda, Uxbridge  
 Taft, Merrick, Northbridge  
 Tappan, John, Boston  
 Tappan, Rev S. S., Conway, N. H.  
 Taylor, A. H., Heath  
 Taylor, Cyrus, Dunstable  
 Taylor, Isaac, do  
 \*Taylor, Rev James, Sunderland  
 Taylor, Rev John, Northbridge  
 Taylor, Rev J., Wenham  
 Taylor, John, Medford  
 Taylor, Mrs Mary, Manchester  
 Taylor, O. M., Yarmouth  
 Taylor, Miss Rebecca, Ashby  
 Taylor, Samuel S., Dunstable  
 Teal, John, Newburyport  
 Tenney, Miss S. G., do  
 Tenney, Rev Francis V., Byfield  
 Terry, Rev James, South Weymouth  
 Thacher, Rev Tyler, California  
 Thatcher, Matthew, South Dartmouth  
 Thatcher, Samuel, Yarmouth  
 Thayer, Miss L. W., Boston  
 Thayer, Miss Susan, Natick  
 Thayer, Mrs Susan, N. Braintree  
 Thayer, Rev William M., Ashland  
 Thayer, Mrs Rebecca M., do  
 Thomas, Asa, Plymouth  
 \*Thomas, Rev D., Abington  
 Thompson, Rev A. C., Roxbury  
 Thompson, Rev L., South Hadley  
 Thorndike, Mrs Israel, Boston  
 Thurlow, Samuel, Newburyport  
 Thurston, Mrs, Boston  
 Tidd, Samuel, Warren  
 Tileston, Rev W., Charlemont  
 \*Tinker, Rev Orasmus, Ashby  
 Tinkham, Jesse, Enfield  
 Titcomb, Mrs H. M., Newburyport  
 Titus, Mrs Sally, Westminster  
 Toby, Job T., Rochester  
 Tolman, Rev E., Dennis  
 Tolman, James, Ware Village  
 Tolman, Joseph, Ware  
 Tolman, William E., Dorchester  
 \*Tomlinson, Rev D., Oakham  
 Torrance, Mrs J., Enfield  
 Torrey, Ziba, Attleboro'  
 Tower, Mrs A. D., Cammington  
 Tower, B. L., do  
 Towne, Salem, Charlton  
 \*Townsend, Rev S., Shelburne  
 Tracy, Rev Hiram A., Cincinnati, O.  
 Tracy, Mrs H. A., do  
 Train, Nathaniel, Enfield  
 Trask, Daniel, do  
 Trask, Charles H., Manchester  
 Tucker, Mrs Catharine, Dorchester  
 Tucker, Ephraim, Ware  
 Tucker, Jesse, Milton  
 Tucker, Mark D. D., Wethersfield, Ct.  
 Tucker, Mrs Nathan, Milton  
 Tupper, Rev Martyn, Hardwick  
 Turner, Dr N. G., Sunderland  
 Tuttle, Thomas S., Littleton  
 Tyler, Mrs Fanny, Attleboro'  
 Tyler, Rev William, Northampton  
 Underwood, A. G., Oxford  
 Underwood, Mrs E. A., do  
 Underwood, Rev G. W., Charlton  
 Upham, Otis, Waltham  
 Upton, Mrs Dorinda F., Buckland  
 Utley, Rev Samuel, Amsterlitz, N. Y.  
 Valentine, Mrs Joanna C., Cambridge  
 Virgin, Miss Hannah, Boston  
 Vinton, Miss Eliza A., Boston  
 Vinton, Josiah, do  
 \*Voss, Thomas, do  
 Wait, Miss Rebecca, Medford  
 Wales, Thomas, North Bridgewater  
 Walker, Amasa, North Brookfield  
 Walker, Mrs Hannah, Sturbridge  
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 Walley, S. H., Roxbury  
 Ware, Rev Samuel, Deerfield  
 Ward, Rev James W., Abington  
 \*Ward, Mrs J. W., do  
 Ward, Jonathan, Buckland  
 Ward, Mrs John, Enfield  
 Warner, Mrs S., do  
 Warner, W. R., Sunderland  
 Warren, Jonas, do  
 Warren Nathan, Waltham  
 Warren, Mrs Sarah, do  
 Warren, Mrs Nancy, Greenwich  
 Washburn, Horatio, Kingston  
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 Wells, William H., Newburyport  
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 Wheeler, Mrs E. M., Conway  
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 Whidden, Miss Catharine F., Marblehead  
 Whipple, Charles, Newburyport  
 Whipple, Henry, Salem  
 Whipple, Justis E., East Douglas  
 Whitecomb, Miss Abby B., Templeton  
 Whitecomb, David, do  
 Whitecomb, Mrs Margaret, do  
 Whitecomb, Rev W. C., Stoneham  
 White, Alfred, West Brookfield  
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 White, Rev Seccoo, Marshfield  
 White, Mrs Susan H., Marblehead  
 Whitmarsh, Joshua, Abington  
 Whiting, Rev F. L., Gill  
 Whiting, Rev Lyman, Reading  
 Whitney, Josiah, Westminister  
 Whitney, Mrs Mary A., Waltham  
 Whitte Paul, Northbridge  
 Whittemore, Benjamin F., Boston  
 Whittemore, Mrs B. F., do  
 Whittemore, S. F., Jr., do  
 Whittemore M., West Roxbury  
 Wight, Rev Daniel, Scituate  
 \*Wilbur, Rev Hervey, Newburyport  
 Wilbur, Joseph, Taunton  
 Wilder, Charles W., Winchester  
 \*Wilder, Rev John, Cambridge  
 Wilder, J. D., Middleboro'  
 Wilder, Mrs Mary Ann, Braintree  
 Wilder, Rev M. H., Harwich  
 Wilkinson, Rev R., Abington  
 Willard, Mrs Lucy, Cambridge  
 Willey, Rev Worcester, Ashby  
 \*Williams, Rev A., Dudley  
 Williams, Miss Abby, Taunton  
 Williams, Abel B., Northbridge  
 Williams, Rev Dillon, Fiedinghills  
 Williams, Joseph, Newburyport  
 \*Williams, Rev S. P., do  
 Williams, Thomas S., Winchester  
 Willis, Nathaniel, Boston  
 Williston, Samuel, Easthampton  
 \*Wimer, Benjamin B., D. D., Boston  
 Wiswell, William, West Roxbury  
 Wolcott, Rev Samuel, Providence, R. I.  
 Wolcott, Mrs Samuel, do  
 Wood, Mrs Abby M., Athol  
 Wood, Aaron, Westminster  
 Wood, B. F., do  
 Wood, Rev C. W., Ashby  
 Wood, Mrs Catharine S., do

\*Wood, Mrs E. A. W., Ashby  
 Wood, Horatio G., Middleboro'  
 Wood, Rev Luke, Somers, Ct.  
 Wood, Mrs Polly, Enfield  
 Wood, Mrs Zenas, do  
 Wood, S. F., Chelmsford  
 Woodbridge, John, D. D., Hadley  
 \*Woodbury, Rev B., Falmouth  
 Woodbury, Rev James T., Acton  
 Woodman, Joseph, Newburyport

Woods, Leonard, D. D., Andover  
 \*Worcester, Samuel, D. D., Salem  
 Worcester, Samuel M., D. D., do  
 Worcester, Mrs Z. do  
 Wright, Albert J., Boston  
 Wright, Mrs Martha, Phillipston  
 Wyman, Marshall, Woburn  
 Yale, Mrs Sarah S., South Reading  
 Youngman, Dr D., Winchester

### Rules, Regulations and By-Laws of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

"As the object of the Society is to diffuse the knowledge of the Gospel of Jesus Christ among the heathen and others in destitute places," they therefore agree to adopt the following Rules, &c.

ARTICLE I. The officers of the Society shall be a President, Vice President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and twenty Trustees, chosen annually by ballot.

II. It shall be the duty of the President to regulate the meetings of the Society, and, *ex-officio*, to act as one of the Board of Trustees; seven of whom shall constitute a quorum for business, at any meeting regularly convened.

III. The Trustees shall, immediately after each Annual Meeting of the Society, appoint an Executive Committee of seven, (including the Secretary and Treasurer,) residing in Boston and its vicinity; four of whom shall be a quorum at any regular meeting. This Committee shall have power to appoint its own meetings, form its own rules of business, fill any vacancy in its own number which may occur during the year, and convene special meetings of the Trustees or Society: they shall examine and appoint Missionaries, and direct them as to their labors;—it being understood that none shall be employed as Missionaries, except those who exhibit credible evidence of experimental piety, and of that Christian zeal, wisdom, information and diligence, which are adequate to the arduous work of Evangelists, in the most self-denying circumstances. This Committee shall also manage and dispose of the Society's property, and transact all the concerns of the Society, not otherwise assigned; and shall make report, at each Annual Meeting, of the labor and success of the Missionaries, and exhibit a particular account of their own transactions.

IV. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to conduct the correspondence of the Society, keep an accurate record of its proceedings, and exhibit them whenever required.

V. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and hold the property of the Society, to answer the orders of the Executive Committee, and to make a report at every Annual Meeting of the Society. He shall also give bonds, from time to time, to such amount as the Executive Committee shall think proper.

VI. Any person may become a Member of this Society by paying two dollars to the Treasurer for the use of the Society; and shall be considered as retaining his membership and obliged to pay two dollars annually, until his desire to discontinue his connection with the Society be expressed to the Treasurer. Any person may become a Life Member of this Society by paying into the treasury thirty dollars at one time.

VII. The Society shall meet at Boston to transact their annual business on the Tuesday preceding the last Wednesday in May, of each year, at ten o'clock, A. M.

A public meeting shall also be held annually in the same city, on the evening of the same day; to be conducted in such manner as the Executive Committee shall direct; and an annual sermon shall be preached at the time and place of the meeting of the General Association of Massachusetts, by some person appointed by said Association, and a collection taken in aid of the funds of the Society. An annual delegation may be sent to the General Association of Massachusetts, on such terms as may be agreed upon by the two bodies.

VIII. These Rules and Regulations shall be subject to any amendments and improvements which this Society shall think proper to adopt; but no amendments shall be adopted, except by the vote of two-thirds of the members present at an annual meeting; nor unless the same shall have been recommended by the Executive Committee.

# CONSTITUTION

## OF THE

### AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

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**ART. 1.** This Society shall be denominated "THE AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY."

**ART. 2.** The object of this Society shall be, to assist congregations that are unable to support the Gospel Ministry, and to send the Gospel to the destitute, within the United States; also, to co-operate with evangelical Christians in the support of Home Missions in nominally Christian countries, to such an extent as the funds of the Institution may justify.

**ART. 3.** The Officers of the Society shall be, a President, Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, an Auditor, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, and fifty Directors, who shall be annually appointed by the Society; and who, together with the Directors for life, shall constitute a Board, seven of whom shall be a quorum, at any meeting regularly convened.

**ART. 4.** The Officers and Directors shall appoint an Executive Committee of thirteen, (including the Treasurer, the Corresponding Secretary, and the Recording Secretary,) residing in the City of New York and its vicinity; five of whom shall be a quorum, at any meeting regularly convened. This Committee shall have power to appoint its own meetings, form its own rules of business, and fill any vacancies in its own number which may occur during the year, and to convene special meetings of the Board or Society; shall appoint Missionaries, and instruct them as to the field and manner of their labors; shall have the disposal of the funds; shall create such agency or agencies for appointing Missionaries, and for other purposes, as the interests of the Institution may require; and shall make an Annual Report of their proceedings to the Society.

**ART. 5.** The Treasurer shall give bonds, annually, to such amount as the Executive Committee shall think proper.

**ART. 6.** Any person may become a member of this Society, by contributing annually to its funds; thirty dollars paid at one time shall constitute a Member for life; and one hundred dollars paid at one time shall constitute a Director for life; and any person, on the payment of a sum, which, in addition to any previous contribution to the funds, shall amount to one hundred dollars, shall be a Director for life. An executor, on paying a legacy of two hundred and fifty dollars to the funds of this Society, shall be a Member for life; and the payment of a legacy of one thousand dollars shall constitute him a Director for life.

**ART. 7.** Any Missionary Society may become auxiliary, by agreeing to pay into the Treasury of this Society the whole of its surplus funds, and sending to the Corresponding Secretary a copy of its Constitution and Annual Reports, mentioning the names of its Missionaries, and the fields of their operations.

**ART. 8.** Every Auxiliary Society which shall agree to pay the whole of its funds to this Society, shall be entitled to a Missionary or Missionaries, to labor in such field as it may designate; at least to the amount of its contributions; provided such designation be made at the time of payment.

**ART. 9.** The Officers of all Auxiliary Societies shall be ex-officio Directors; and annual contributors to their funds shall be members of the Society.

**ART. 10.** This Society shall meet annually in the City of New York, on the Wednesday next preceding the second Thursday in May.

**ART. 11.** No alteration shall be made in this Constitution, without a vote of two-thirds of the members present, at an annual meeting; nor unless the same shall have been proposed at a previous annual meeting, or recommended by the Executive Committee.

## SYSTEMATIC CONTRIBUTIONS.

THE following plan for systematic contributions in Massachusetts to the various objects of benevolence here specified, was recommended by the General Association of the State, at their meeting in Ipswich, June 24, 1840, and has been extensively adopted by the local Associations and Conferences. The necessity for some uniform system has long been felt, and it is hoped that this will meet the approbation of all.

### 1. BOSTON AND VICINITY.

According to the arrangement made by these churches in 1833.

Foreign Missions, *January*.  
Education Society, *February*.  
City Missions, *April*.  
Sabbath Schools, *June*.  
Home Missions, *September*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *October*.  
Tract Society, *November*.

### 2. ESSEX COUNTY AND ANDOVER ASSOCIATION.

Bible Society, *December and January*.  
Foreign Missions, *February and March*.  
Education Society, *April and May*.  
Home Missions, *June and July*.  
Tract Society, *August and September*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *October*.  
Sabbath School Society, *November*.

### 3. MIDDLESEX UNION AND WOBURN ASSOCIATIONS.

Bible Society, *January and February*.  
Foreign Missions, *March and April*.  
Education Society, *May and June*.  
Home Missions, *July and August*.  
Tract Society, *September and October*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *November*.  
Sabbath School Society, *December*.

### 4. NORFOLK COUNTY AND CONFERENCE, AND MENDON ASSOCIATION.

Bible Society, *February and March*.  
Foreign Missions, *April and May*.  
Education Society, *June and July*.  
Home Missions, *August and September*.  
Tract Society, *October and November*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *December*.  
Sabbath School Society, *January*.

### 5. BERKSHIRE COUNTY.

Bible Society, *March and April*.  
Foreign Missions, *May and June*.  
Education Society, *July and August*.  
Home Missions, *September and October*.  
Tract Society, *November and December*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *January*.  
Sabbath School Society, *February*.

### 6. HAMPDEN COUNTY.

Bible Society, *April and May*.  
Foreign Missions, *June and July*.  
Education Society, *August and September*.  
Home Missions, *October and November*.  
Tract Society, *December and January*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *February*.  
Sabbath School Society, *March*.

### 7. HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.

Bible Society, *May and June*.  
Foreign Missions, *July and August*.  
Education Society, *September and October*.  
Home Missions, *November and December*.  
Tract Society, *January and February*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *March*.  
Sabbath School Society, *April*.

### 8. FRANKLIN COUNTY AND WORCESTER NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Bible Society, *June and July*.  
Foreign Missions, *August and September*.  
Education Society, *October and November*.  
Home Missions, *December and January*.  
Tract Society, *February and March*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *April*.  
Sabbath School Society, *May*.

### 9. WORCESTER CENTRAL AND BROOKFIELD ASSOCIATIONS.

Bible Society, *July and August*.  
Foreign Missions, *September and October*.  
Education Society, *November and December*.  
Home Missions, *January and February*.  
Tract Society, *March and April*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *May*.  
Sabbath School Society, *June*.

### 10. MIDDLESEX SOUTH AND HARMONY CONFERENCES.

Bible Society, *August and September*.  
Foreign Missions, *October and November*.  
Education Society, *December and January*.  
Home Missions, *February and March*.  
Tract Society, *April and May*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *June*.  
Sabbath School Society, *July*.

### 11. TAUNTON AND VICINITY AND OLD COLONY CONFERENCES.

Bible Society, *September and October*.  
Foreign Missions, *November and December*.  
Education Society, *January and February*.  
Home Missions, *March and April*.  
Tract Society, *May and June*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *July*.  
Sabbath School Society, *August*.

### 12. PILGRIM AND BARNSTABLE CONFERENCES.

Bible Society, *October and November*.  
Foreign Missions, *December and January*.  
Education Society, *February and March*.  
Home Missions, *April and May*.  
Tract Society, *June and July*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *August*.  
Sabbath School Society, *September*.

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### AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

It is respectfully requested, that when auxiliary societies are formed, information may be given immediately to the Secretary, with the names and residences of the officers of such societies—and a copy of the constitution, and the names of the towns or parishes (if more than one) included within their limits.

It is also requested, that they report progress once a year—immediately after their annual meeting—or before the first of May. The grounds of these requests are :

1. That the Executive Committee may know how much ground is occupied in the State by auxiliaries—and how much is unorganized.
2. That they may know with whom to correspond officially—and how to make arrangements for delegations to the annual meetings of auxiliaries.
3. That they may forward the Annual Reports of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, and of the American Home Missionary Society, to the several auxiliaries—and also the "Home Missionary" to each association contributing ten dollars or more annually to the funds of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

*Unless special directions be given to the contrary, these publications will be forwarded by mail.*

### APPLICATIONS FOR AID.

It is expected that any feeble congregation desiring aid in supporting the gospel, will regard the following particulars in their application, not only in the first instance, but as often as the application is renewed.

1. The number of members in the church.
2. The number of families or polls in the society.
3. The whole population of the town or parish.
4. The number usually attending public worship, or the number that may be expected to attend.
5. The amount of property belonging to members of the society, as rated on the State bill, or town valuation.
6. The amount supposed necessary for a minister's support.
7. The mode of collection—whether by tax or voluntary subscription.
8. The utmost amount that can be secured for the object, within the limits of the society.
9. The least amount that must be derived from other sources.
10. The probable length of time for which charitable aid will be needed.


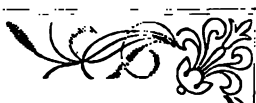

A written statement on these topics, signed by a committee of the church or society, is required, and the correctness of the statement is to be vouched by two or three neighboring ministers, who are expected at the same time to certify that in their opinion the request for assistance ought to be granted.

### FORM OF A BEQUEST TO THE MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

I GIVE unto the Treasurer of the "Massachusetts Home Missionary Society," the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ dollars, for the purposes of said Society, and for which the receipt of such Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge.

Some important legacies have been lost to the cause of Home Missions, through inattention to the legal name of the Society, to which they were given.

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OF THE

**SACUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY,**

PRESENTED MAY 23, 1854.

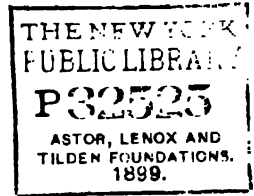
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FIFTY-FIFTH



# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

**Massachusetts Home Missionary Society,**

PRESENTED BY THE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

AT THE

ANNIVERSARY MEETING IN BOSTON, MAY 30, 1854.



BOSTON:

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1854.

## NOTICES.

ALL communications intended for the Executive Committee, and any correspondence relating to the general interests of the Society, may be addressed to Rev. JOSEPH S. CLARK, Secretary, No. 11 Tremont Temple, Boston.

All remittances of money, and whatever communications relate to the pecuniary concerns of the Board, may be made to BENJAMIN PERKINS, Esq., Treasurer, No. 11 Tremont Temple, Boston.

Persons, in any part of the State, wishing to become Life Members or Life Directors of the American Home Missionary Society—or to make donations in any form to its funds, can transmit their donations through the treasury of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

Life Membership in the American Home Missionary Society, is *thirty dollars*.

Life Directorship in the do. do. is *one hundred dollars*.

Life Membership in the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, is *thirty dollars*.

¶ The Secretaries of Auxiliary Societies, are earnestly requested to forward copies of their Annual Reports, without delay, to the Secretary of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, No. 11 Tremont Temple, Boston. Also to furnish a list of the Officers chosen at each annual meeting. Compliance with these requests will enable the Committee of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society to furnish, in connection with their Annual Report, a satisfactory account of the state and progress of each Auxiliary.

**Tax Home Missionary** is published monthly by the American Home Missionary Society, 150 Nassau Street, New York. It is also distributed from 156 Washington Street, Boston, for the accommodation of subscribers and others entitled to it, who reside in this State. Terms, *fifty cents per annum*, in advance.

¶ It is sent *gratuitously* to Life Members, Missionaries, and Auxiliary Associations of either Society; to all pastors whose congregations contribute any sum annually to either treasury; to all persons who serve as collectors; and to each donor of \$10 annually who signifies a wish to receive it. Application may be made to the Treasurer, who is Agent for the distribution of the Home Missionary in Massachusetts.

**STANDING RULE.**—The Missionary who makes his Reports to the Secretary of the Society *quarterly*, shall be entitled to quarterly drafts on the Treasury. Those who report *semi-annually*, shall be entitled to semi-annual drafts. Those who fail to render an *Annual Report on or before the first day of APRIL*, shall thereby forfeit the patronage of the Society, unless a sufficient excuse be rendered. In the Annual Report, definite answers to the following questions are required.

1. What is the number of rateable polls—also families—in your society?
2. What is the amount of your Society's valuation on the town assessors' book?
3. What proportion of it is in the hands of church members?
4. What aid do you receive from persons in your congregation not connected with your society?
5. What productive funds has your society?
6. What is your stipulated salary?
7. How is it raised—by tax or subscription?
8. Is it punctually paid?
9. What is the average number in your Sabbath congregations?
10. What is the number of your church members—male—female?
11. What additions during the year ending April 1st—by profession—by letter?
12. What the number of baptisms—adult—infant?
13. How many hopeful conversions have occurred?
14. What is the number in your Sabbath school and Bible class?
15. What progress has been made in temperance?
16. What is the amount of contributions to the Mass. Home Missionary Society?
17. What the amount contributed to all other religious charities?
18. What special encouragements or discouragements have you in your labors?

[In answering these inquiries, it will only be necessary to refer to their numerical designation, without transcribing them]

## ANNUAL MEETING.

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THE MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY held its *Fifty-Fifth* Annual Meeting for business at the Room of their Executive Committee, 11 Tremont Temple, May 30, 1854,—Rev. LEONARD WOODS, D. D., in the chair.

The meeting was opened with prayer by the President.

Rev. S. H. EMERY was chosen Clerk.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary.

The Treasurer presented his Report for the year, which was accepted.

*Voted*, That an abstract of the Executive Committee's Report be read by the Secretary at the public meeting this evening.

The officers for the ensuing year were then chosen. (See next page.)

*Voted*, That the SECRETARY, and Rev. S. H. EMERY of Taunton, be delegates from this body to the General Association of Massachusetts, to meet in June at Fall River.

*Voted*, That the Society now adjourn to meet in the Tremont Temple at 7½ o'clock this evening, to attend the public exercises of the Anniversary.

S. H. EMERY, Clerk.

## PUBLIC MEETING.

At the appointed hour a large and intelligent audience filled the spacious Temple to participate in the public services of the Anniversary, the President, Rev. LEONARD WOODS, D. D., in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Rev. MARK TUCKER, D. D., of Wethersfield, Ct.

A brief abstract of the Report of the Executive Committee was read by the Secretary, Rev. JOSEPH S. CLARK.

Spirited and appropriate addresses were then made in support of the following Resolutions, by their respective movers, viz.

*Resolved*, That the Report of the Executive Committee, an abstract of which has now been read, be adopted, and printed under their direction.

By Rev. HORACE JAMES, of Worcester.

*Resolved*, That the history of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society confirms the hope of the Christian and the patriot, that the truth, as it is in Jesus Christ, shall speedily have an ascendancy over our land.

By Rev. LYMAN WHITING, of Reading.

*Resolved*, That the living exhibition of the gospel is a necessity.

By Rev. CHARLES S. PORTER, of Boston.

After the singing of the Doxology, the assembly was dismissed with the Benediction by Rev. EMERSON DAVIS, D. D., of Westfield.

## OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY.

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### PRESIDENT.

REV. LEONARD WOODS, D. D.

### VICE PRESIDENTS.

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ELIPHALET WILLIAMS, Esq.	REV. LEWIS SABIN.

REV. JOSEPH S. CLARK, D. D., *Secretary.*

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# ANNUAL REPORT.

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THE Executive Committee are pained to record, among the events of the year, the death of HON. WILLIAM B. BANISTER, one of the earliest patrons of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, and a Vice President during the last twenty-four years. They do it, however, in humble recognition of the Master's claim to his service in a higher sphere, to which, we doubt not, he has been promoted. In all other respects, the history of the year now closing will give joy and gladness to the thousands of benevolent hearts that have prayed for its prosperity and responded to its calls.

## The Treasury.

At the opening of the year there was a balance on hand of \$1,097 77. The entire *receipts* from Massachusetts, up to the 15th inst., when the financial year closed, amounted to \$45,473 11; of which \$32,990 52 were paid into this Treasury, and \$11,582 59 into the Treasury at New York, as best suited the convenience of the donors.

The *disbursements* have been \$5,245 83 for missionary service performed in Massachusetts; \$1,153 80 in defraying the proportion of incidental expenses pertaining to this Auxiliary; and \$37,582 59 for missionary labors in other parts of the land, under the direction of the American Home Missionary Society. A balance of \$1,499 41 remains in the Treasury, wherewith to commence the work of another year.

## Tabular View.

The location of the several missionary fields; the names of the missionaries; and the last appropriation to each; together with the statistics of the churches, are presented in the following table. On the opposite page, against each, are given such facts as cannot be stated in figures.

Churches and Missionaries.	Date of Commission.	Length of con.	Dollars approp'd.	Average cong'n.	Church members.	Added by prof.	Added by letter.	Infants baptized.	Reported conver.	Sub. sch. & B. cl.	Contrib. to Home Missions.	Contributed to other objects.
1. ADAMS, <i>South</i> . Rev. J. J. Dana, P. . . .	April 1, 1853	12	150	175	90						30 00	53 00
2. ASHEURNHAM, <i>North</i> . Rev. Josiah W. Brown, s. s. .	June 1, 1853	12	100	100	50		1			65 8 00	26 00	
3. AUSTERLITZ, N. Y. Rev. Samuel Utley, P. . . .	Jan. 1, 1854	12	100	80	44					60 30 00		
4. BARNSTABLE, <i>Hyannis</i> . Rev. John U. Parsons, s. s. .	Nov. 1, 1853	12	200	70	12				9 25			1 50
5. BOSTON, <i>German Evang.</i> Rev. Louis B. Schwartz, P. .	Nov. 17, 1853	12	200	120	105	5	23	7	110 20 00	105 00		
6. BURLINGTON. Rev. Eli Moody, s. s. . . .	May 14, 1853	12	100	160	53	2	2	1	74 73 50	30 00		
7. CANTON. Rev. Solomon Clark, P. . . .	July 1, 1853	12	150	120	34		1	1	80 10 00	20 00		
8. CARLISLE. Rev. John Lawrence, P. . . .	April 1, 1853	12	125	125	57	7	7	7	90 41 21	49 00		
9. CHESTER, <i>Factories</i> . Rev. J. C. Strong, s. s. . . .	May 23, 1853	12	100	80	31				30			
10. DANA. Rev. John Keep, P. . . . .	Jan. 1, 1854	12	150	100	18	1		1	60 5 00	21 22		
11. DOUGLAS. Rev. David Holman, s. s. . .	April 1, 1853	12	50	80	43				60			
12. DOVER. Rev. John Haskell, P. . . .	June 20, 1853	12	100	75	39				40 16 50	7 00		
13. FALMOUTH, <i>Wagquoit</i> . Rev. Horace Pratt, s. s. . .	June 1, 1853	12	100	150	54	5			70 15 24	36 00		
14. GLOUCESTER, <i>North</i> . Rev. Edwin Seabury, P. . . .	Aug. 12, 1853	12	175	180	40		1	6	110 4 75	18 50		
15. GLOUCESTER, <i>West</i> . Rev. Levi Wheaton, P. . . .	July 16, 1853	12	175	100	34				70			
16. HAVERHILL, <i>West</i> . Rev. Wales Lewis, P. . . .	May 28, 1853	12	150	110	27				40 30 00	36 00		
17. HINGHAM. Rev. E. Porter Dyer, P. . . .	Sept. 15, 1853	12	200	150	22	1		1	60 5 50	25 66		
18. HOLLAND. Rev. Alvah C. Page, P. . . .	July 1, 1853	12	125	90	47		3		40 22 00	60 00		
19. HOUSATONIC. Rev. Jacob G. Miller, s. s. . .	April 15, 1853	12	125	100	120	1	3		40 45 00	10 00		
20. LUDLOW, <i>Jenksville</i> . Rev. E. B. Wright, s. s. . . .	April 1, 1853	12	125	70	12			1	30 14 00	10 00		
21. LYNNFIELD. Rev. U. W. Condit, P. . . .	Sept. 3, 1853	12	75	100	34			25				
22. MARSHFIELD, <i>North</i> . Rev. Sumner Clark, P. . . .	Jan. 1, 1853	12	50	100	36							
23. MONTGOMERY. Rev. J. C. Thompson, s. s. . .	June 1, 1853	12	100	70	30							
24. NEW SALEM. Rev. William H. Hayward, P. .	Nov. 1, 1853	12	200	85	30	2	2		60		14 00	

## REMARKS.

1. After a hard and well sustained struggle for 14 years, this church has reached the condition of self-support; and on no missionary field in Massachusetts has the transformation been more complete, in all that relates to true religion, good morals, and social order.
2. Rev. J. D. Crosby supplied the pulpit till September, when the stated ministry of Mr. Brown commenced. Though the population of the parish does not increase, and the number of church members is actually diminishing, the growing stability of the people encourages the continuance of aid.
3. The church and society are in a harmonious state, and suffer less annoyance than formerly from the spirit of sectarian strife around them. They are in a condition to appreciate the sympathy of their friends abroad, and they express deep gratitude for it. A ladies' society has contributed \$30.
4. After much consultation, and the supply of temporary preaching, with a view to test the feasibility of the undertaking, a permanent lodgment has at length been made in this growing village, by the organization of a Congregational church, and the pledge of missionary aid.
5. The unsettled state of this congregation, occasioned by continual immigration from Europe, and emigration to the west, still operates against the endeavors of the Missionary Society to bring it into a self-supporting condition. A vigorous effort is now being made to lessen the debt of the society.
6. There has been a gratifying increase of liberality during the past year—a sure harbinger of a brighter day to any feeble society, as in a majority of cases (certainly among the old wastes of Massachusetts) their "poverty" was induced by "withholding more than is meet."
7. No marked change has occurred. The work of building a new house of worship, which was in contemplation at the opening of the year, has been postponed, for the present. Many transient hearers attend on the ministry of the word, besides the regular supporters of it.
8. The missionary has been installed, and the meeting-house repaired; a number of souls have been hopefully converted; the "deep poverty" of the society has "abounded unto the riches of their liberality," and the church has been increased in numbers.
9. Mr. Strong was called to another field of labor at the close of the first quarter, and no report has since been received. It is presumed, however, that the society are nearly, if not quite, in a condition to dispense with missionary aid.
10. The great event of the year is the erection of a meeting-house at a cost of \$3,300—an architectural ornament to the village, and a bond of union among its citizens, nearly all of whom have contributed to the enterprise. Mr. K. was installed on the day of the dedication.
11. No favorable changes have occurred; none are in prospect. On the contrary, there is a gradual decay of interest in supporting the ordinances of religion, and the missionary is about to surrender his charge through mere discouragement.
12. Constantly but slowly advancing—too slowly to attract much notice from residents on the spot, but manifest and cheering to those who compare the present with the past. Hitherto the increase has been from families of old residents; there is now a prospect of growth from new comers.
13. A new applicant for aid. A meeting-house was built, and separate worship commenced in 1847; a church organized in 1849, which was able to sustain itself till some unexpected reverses during the past year (merely temporary it is believed) have created a necessity for a little present help.
14. The meeting-house has been remodeled and repaired at an expense of \$1,400—an enterprise which has united the efforts and developed the energies of this rising community to a most encouraging extent.
15. The prospects of the soc. seem more flattering," says the pastor, "than at any former period."
16. The pastor reports a decrease of pecuniary ability, occasioned by death and removals. Something has been done towards liquidating a parish debt, which is assigned as a cause—it cannot be a reason—for declining to contribute any thing to benevolent objects.
17. The past has been a year of encouragement to the pastor. A S. S. Library of 116 vols. has been purchased, the meeting-house repaired and painted, contributions to benevolent objects increased, and a better subscription than usual has been made for ministerial support.
18. Among the discouragements of the year, is the removal of several important families, proportionably diminishing the moral and pecuniary strength of the soc. But some others have been added, and a subscription for a parsonage has been commenced with highly flattering prospects.
19. At his own request Mr. P. was dismissed at the expiration of the third quarter's labors under his last commission, and a successor has not yet been provided. There is no apparent lack of purpose among the people to have the gospel, but rather the indication of an increased effort to sustain it.
20. Mr. Miller succeeded Mr. Humphreys in July, and reports increased harmony and zeal in supporting the institutions of the gospel. A speedy recovery to their former self-supporting condition is anticipated. Collections for benevolent objects are taken monthly.
21. No visible change for the better, has occurred during the past year. A few praying souls appear to prize the gospel; but they are out-numbered by the neglecters of the sanctuary, and the breakers of the Sabbath. This is almost exclusively a manufacturing village.
22. The church has parted with several members for the new organization in the south part of the town, and none have been added. But the pastor reports "a most precious revival," of recent occurrence, in which over 90 souls had been hopefully converted, and the work is still in progress.
23. The place of worship has been enlarged, the congregation increased, and the dependence of the soc. on missionary aid relinquished during the past year. Most affectionately is this long assisted soc. commended to the care of "Him who is able to keep them from falling."
24. At the close of Nov. Mr. Thompson was compelled to vacate the post, on account of ill health. Up to that time the two societies (Methodist and Congregationalist) continued to unite in public worship and S. S. instruction, as heretofore, and the general aspect of affairs was improving.
25. For various reasons the enterprise of building a meeting-house has not yet been consummated. The work, however, is reported to be in a state of forwardness, and will doubtless be finished the coming season. The prospects of the church and society are thought to be improving.



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25. ORANGE, <i>North</i> . Rev. Benjamin F. Clarke, <i>s. s.</i>	April 21, 1853	12	175	45	28	2	1	1	30	25 69	22 49	
26. PITTSFIELD, <i>2d Cong. Church</i> . Rev. Samuel Harrison, <i>P.</i>	Oct. 1, 1853	12	100	80	14			1	50	4 31		
27. PRESCOTT. Rev. S. B. Gilbert, <i>P.</i>	Oct. 1, 1853	12	100	70	22				75	20 00		
28. ROWE. Rev. Jeremiah Pomeroy, <i>s. s.</i>	Mar. 1, 1853	12	150	40	26	2		2	30	15 00		
29. SHUTESBURY. Rev. James Tisdale, <i>P.</i>	Oct. 15, 1853	12	100	100	45				60			
30. STERLING. Rev. Charles Lothrop, <i>s. s.</i>	June 22, 1853	12	200	100	38			5	75		3 50	
31. STOCKBRIDGE, <i>Curtisville</i> . Rev. W. H. Phelps, <i>P.</i>	May 1, 1853	12	100	100	61	1			80	16 00	52 00	
32. TAUNTON, <i>East</i> . Rev. Nathaniel Richardson, <i>s. s.</i>	May 1, 1853	12	200	100	14	1	2		80		3 50	
33. TISBURY, <i>Holmes's Hole</i> . Rev. William H. Sturtevant, <i>s. s.</i>	Jan. 1, 1854	12	150	60	27	5	2	2	53	15 00	20 00	
34. TROURO, <i>North</i> . Rev. S. J. M. Lord, <i>s. s.</i>	Nov. 17, 1853	6	50	150	19			2	45		23 00	
35. WARWICK. Rev. Henry M. Bridge, <i>s. s.</i>	Mar. 15, 1854	12	150	75	51		2		60	32 00	43 00	
36. WASHINGTON. Rev. Eber L. Clark, <i>P.</i>	Feb. 2, 1854	12	100	75	30	3			40	13 00	49 00	
37. WEST ROXBURY, <i>Jamaica Plain</i> . Rev. Alonzo H. Quint, <i>P.</i>	Sept. 14, 1853	12	200	150	30		9	3	3	75		
38. WOBURN, <i>North</i> . Rev. George T. Dole, <i>P.</i>	July 1, 1853	12	200	150	49				80		17 00	
39. WRENTHAM, <i>North</i> . Rev. John Dwight, <i>P.</i>	Jan. 1, 1854	12	75	120	36		5	1	50	42 00	8 00	
40. YARMOUTH, <i>West</i> . Rev. J. H. Wells, <i>P.</i>	Jan. 1, 1854	12	100	96	47		1		50	5 00		

## REMARKS.

25. After two years of faithful service, Mr. Clarke closed his labors in this place, at the expiration of his last commission. The congregation is one of the smallest in the State, and has somewhat diminished during the year. The church is large, in proportion, and is annually increasing.

26. In sobriety, industry, and efforts to uphold the ordinances of religion, this congregation of colored citizens are furnishing an example worthy the imitation of their brethren throughout the State. In addition to the contributions reported, about \$300 have been raised for the Sabbath school.

27. Mr. Gilbert, at his own request, was dismissed in Jan., and it is not known that any one has yet taken his place. A feeling of discouragement seems to have come over the pastor and the people, begetting, of course, a correspond'g discouragement in the Ex. Com. Of late, temperance has greatly revived.

28. This is the smallest congregation in the Mass. H. M. field, and presents no immediate prospect of increase. Yet the earnest desire of the "little flock" to have the ministry of the word, and their self-denying efforts to secure it, have induced the Ex. Com. to continue it on the list.

29. About \$200 have been expended in repairing the meeting-house, and other indications of a revived interest in maintaining the institutions of religion are reported. The only discouragement is the lack of collections for benevolent objects of any kind.

30. Mr. Wm. B. Green was compelled by failure of health to relinquish this post in July, and Mr. Lothrop immediately entered into his labors. A meeting-house has been purchased of the Universalist soc. which, with necessary repairs, has cost \$2,600. Mr. L. has rec'd a unanimous call to settle.

31. The pastor reports that "the ordinances are maintained as usual, while spiritual things seem in a dead calm." The committee regret to learn that, by reason of certain disturbing forces, he is purposing to leave the field when his present commission expires.

32. This is a new enterprise in a manufacturing village, on the border of Taunton adjacent to Raynham. A ch. of 13 members was gathered June 16, and a society organized March 1. Their place of worship is a small chapel. It is a post of importance and deserves aid.

33. Encouraging accessions have been made to the church, but a heavy loss has been sustained by the removal of others. An excellent spirit animates the soc. in supporting the instita. of religion, but their pecuniary means are small. Still there is a perceptible advance in stability and strength.

34. The chief discouragements reported by the missionary are such as grew out of the organization of Congregationalists and Methodists into a "Union Society,"—a measure of doubtful expediency in all cases, and in this instance too troublesome to admit of longer continuance.

35. Rev. R. C. Hatch was dismissed from his pastoral relation to this church on the 22d of June; and after a period of destitution and occas. preaching, Mr. Bridge was secured as stated supply, and he has been commissioned for the ensu. year, with the expectation that he will enter the pastoral office.

36. A better attendance on public worship and greater punctuality in paying the minister, are reported among the signs of an improved condition. Still there is lack of spiritual life and Christian enterprise. A revival of these would bring the church at once to a condition of independence.

37. A pastor has been settled, and measures are now in train for the erection of a meeting-house. Everything favors the hope of seeing this infant church speedily rise above the need of missionary patronage, and take its place as a coadjutor in the missionary work.

38. Light and shade have crossed the missionary's path by turns, giving birth to alternate hope and fear for the results of his labors; but the light predominates and hope is now in the ascendant.

39. Mr. Dwight was installed in the pastoral office near the beginning of the year. There is a gradual increase of population and business, a constantly growing congregation, and a marked improvement in the tone of religious feeling. The prospects of the parish were never fairer.

40. At the request of the pastor a council was called to dissolve his relations to this church, which wisely resulted in persuading him to remain, since which he reports "increased attendance on public worship and the prospect of seeing the meeting-house put in good order."

### Summary.

By comparing the mission churches now reported, with those of last year, it will be seen that *eight* have disappeared from the list. Four of these, namely, the churches in Holyoke, Kingston, Melrose, and North Chelsea, may be regarded as having passed beyond all danger of relapse. The others, in a change of circumstances, may perhaps again be received under patronage for a season.

In place of these eight, it will also be seen, that three *new applicants* have been admitted. These are all recently organized churches—two of them were gathered during the year—and are all located in growing villages. The net reduction, therefore, of missionary fields within our bounds since the last report, is *five*—leaving only 40 now on the list. Fifteen years ago the number was just double.

Twenty-five of the missionaries sustain the relation of pastors; the remaining fifteen are called “stated supplies”—a term not found in the vocabulary of the Apostles, nor in that of the Puritans; for the reason, probably, that the relation hereby indicated was not known in those times. Four pastors have been settled during the year, and four dismissed.

The missionaries have had under their spiritual charge 1,230 families; and these have furnished an aggregate attendance of about 4,000 hearers, or 100 for each flock, on the average.

With an average valuation of about \$25,000, these feeble societies have raised for ministerial support \$322 each. Subtracting \$40, (the average sum received from persons not included among the members,) and the remainder is a fraction over *one per cent* of their taxable property—showing that those whom the Missionary Society helps, are making all reasonable efforts to help themselves. The average appropriation granted them during the year, has been \$130—making the average salary of their ministers \$452, which is \$17 more than that of the previous year.

The churches number 1,598 members, of whom 38 have been received by profession, and 26 by letter, during the year. Seasons of more than usual religious interest have been enjoyed in several of the churches, and about 70 hopeful converts are reported, only a small part of whom have yet made a public profession.

In some form or other, collections for benevolent objects are known to have been taken up in all the mission churches *excepting three*; though there are seven others from which the actual amount has not been reported. The 30 that have made returns, contributed \$1,485. If the other 7 gave in proportion, the whole will amount to over \$1,800, or about 37 per cent of what they received from this Society.

One meeting-house has been built, one has been bought, four have been repaired, and two are now in process of erection: while debts on meeting-houses previously built have been liquidated to the extent of several thousand dollars.

### General State and Aspect of the Churches.

From the foregoing statistics it will be seen that, in their outward estate, the feeble churches in Massachusetts have been generally prosperous and progressive, while in regard to spiritual blessings they have enjoyed a full share with others around them. They are living in peace among themselves, and their relations to the Missionary Society, so far as the Committee have knowledge, are, without exception, harmonious and satisfying. This arises, in great part, from a better appreciation of the real design of missionary aid, namely, *to meet a temporary want*, and not *to pay a permanent annuity*. The Board have never held but one view on this subject, and yet they have not always been understood. The continued weakness of a feeble society, requiring a continuance of the same amount of help through successive years, has sometimes induced a feeling of permanent dependence, and perpetual expectancy. Not unfrequently, in years past, a pastor has been settled over a church in this condition with the misunderstanding that his salary was to come from the parish and the Missionary Society in the same proportion, at all future times, as at the time of his settlement. Consequently, every subsequent reduction in the amount appropriated by the Executive Committee has had the aspect of a design on their part to curtail his salary. This was as unpleasant to the missionary as it was unjust to the Committee, and would have been avoided if the parish and the pastor had better understood their respective relations to the Missionary Society, and the real intent of the missionary grant.

### Tract Distribution.

The Committee desire, in this place, to renew their acknowledgments to the American Tract Society at Boston, for their renewed grant of \$96, to be expended in the gratuitous distribution of that Society's publications by our Home Missionaries in Massachusetts. When it is considered that most of these missionaries, by reason of their position in the outposts of Zion, are brought into closer contact with ignorance, error and irreligion than their brethren in more central situations, it will readily be seen that they have some peculiar advantages for this mode of "pulling down strong holds." And almost every report has testified their appreciation of so important an auxiliary to their ministerial labors. In their behalf we solicit the repetition

of such grants as often as the many pressing claims on that Society's benefactions shall permit.

#### **Necessity for Home Missions in Massachusetts.**

Notwithstanding the progress annually made in reclaiming "the old wastes" of Massachusetts, and the oft expressed assurance that they will all, at length, be reclaimed, it must not be inferred that what remains of the work may be safely neglected, or that it can ever be accomplished without hard missionary toil. In one of the fields, entered for the first time during the past year, containing a population of nearly 2,000 souls, the missionary reports that out of 321 families, 173, or more than half, are not connected with any evangelical denomination; while 98 of them attend no meeting whatever. "In 205 families there is not a professor of religion or a praying soul; parents and children alike without God and without hope. In many families, numbered as evangelical, all that remains is an aged, infirm mother—the rest having lapsed into utter neglect. Of the whole multitude of young people, only one young man, and six or eight young women are professors. Evangelical religion has fallen into contempt. The leaven of smoother doctrines has pervaded all classes. The power of ridicule and sarcasm, wielded so long without restraint, has frightened poor Christians into holes and dens, till they hardly dare say that they will have Christ themselves, much less recommend him to others."

How small must be the recuperative power of such a community, unaided from without! And yet what measureless importance attaches to its recovery! There are some dozens of places in our midst, once of the same character, but now transformed in morals and religion—bright and verdant spots, from which streams of salvation are now flowing forth to gladden the world. It would be thrifless husbandry in the Lord's vineyard, that should withhold culture from such soil. The cause of Christian benevolence cannot afford to let these neglected corners of the old Puritan heritage lie waste, when by putting in the plough, and clearing out the stones, and sowing the good seed, they might be made to yield an hundred fold.

#### **The Sanctuary a National Blessing.**

God never forgets a work of faith, or a labor of love, in whatever department of his service it be performed. But he seems to hold in especial remembrance those works, those labors of faith and love which are designed to realize the idea of his presence on the earth, and to promote his worship among men. The announcement which came to Jacob out of the heavens, "I am the God of Bethel, where thou anointedst the pillar, and where thou vowedst a vow unto me,"

was a prelude to a long series of blessings, both temporal and spiritual—all connected back, like so many links in a chain, to that memorable act of consecration, performed twenty years before. And it may be regarded as a standing announcement of God's purpose to bestow similar favors on the children of men in connection with the ordinances of his house; for he has always done it. The tabernacle at Shiloh, the temple at Jerusalem, the synagogue, the church, the chapel, have a history which needs only to be studied, to convince us that they have been fountains of his richest blessings to man; a history which, if written, would throw into comparative shade the halls of science, of justice, of legislation even, as means of elevating the condition of man—his *temporal* condition, to say nothing about his future state, with which these halls confessedly have nothing to do.

Illustrations of this fact are every where found. In looking over the history of our world, we perceive at a glance, that each nation and tribe of the human family have a character corresponding with their religious worship; for, as the prophet has said, "All people will walk, every one in the name of his God." The great peculiarities of Christendom—those traits in our character and conduct which give us any pre-eminence over pagans—can be traced up to the house of God, the place of religious worship and instruction, for their origin, as directly as we can trace a river to its source, or a ray of light to the sun. Without such places, Christendom could never have *become* Christendom. Without them, Christianity itself loses its vitalizing power over men, and becomes a dead Christianity—hardly restraining from barbarism the nation or the neighborhood whose population habitually "forsake the assembling of themselves together."

This, however, is a general view, which meets every open eye at a glance. Still it exhibits the general fact that it is pre-eminently as the "God of Bethel" that the Father of Mercies dispenses to the children of men his good and perfect gifts. But a more impressive view of this interesting fact will be gained by selecting a particular case, and noticing a few of the many ways in which God testifies his remembrance of Bethel, and sends help from the sanctuary.

In doing this we might go back to patriarchal times, when a simple altar of earth or stone marked the consecrated spot where devout men called on the name of the Lord, and received miraculous answers while they were yet speaking. Or we might follow the tabernacle through the wilderness, overshadowed by the visible and inspiring presence of the Deity. Or we might enter the temple at Jerusalem, where the Most High dwelt in still more imposing state, as king and defender of Zion. Or we might wander at large among the countless synagogues that sprung up in Judea after that temple was destroyed. And in each of these places we should find illustrations enough.

But we need not go so far back, nor so far off. On the shores of our own continent there is a spot, now hallowed in the memories of millions, where a small band of men, women and children were left, some two hundred and thirty years ago. The spot had few outward attractions. It was a wilderness, hard to be subdued; and when brought under cultivation, was withal a barren and a rock-bound coast. But on this very account it answered all the better the great object of their search—"freedom to worship God." And the wide world knows with what avidity they availed themselves of this dear-bought freedom. The first forest trees that fell before their sturdy stroke were framed into meeting-houses. Their first town votes and legislative acts provided for the settlement and support of ministers. At the end of the first thirty-six years from their arrival they had erected forty-seven houses of worship; or one for every 700 souls, counting men, women and children. The supreme importance which they attached to religious institutions, and their painful anxiety to transmit them down to posterity, are facts too familiar to require repetition here. They may be read on old gravestones in every cemetery where their dust now reposes. They are heard in the nursery-songs and legends with which childhood's fancy is still fed. They are incorporated in all the customs of New England society, and woven into the very texture of New England character; for it is needless to add, that the foregoing sketch is but an epitome of the first chapter in the history of our New England Fathers.

And now did the God of Bethel forget or disregard those works of faith? Did he refuse to enter those places consecrated for his abode? *They* needed no voice from heaven to answer these questions. Jacob was not more certain that God Almighty met him at Luz, and blessed him there, than these church-going Puritans were that God was in his holy temple, sending them help from the sanctuary. David was not more satisfied with the goodness of God's house.

Nor was this an illusion—a mere fanatical fancy—as has been the fashion to regard their experiences on this point in certain quarters. No. The practical results of more than two hundred years have well nigh set this matter right in every body's mind. Scepticism itself, now looking at these *results*—if it can possibly overlook the process through which they have been brought to pass—sees no fancy work here; sees, and cannot but see, a most remarkable coincidence between these results, and the fulfillment of divine promises. And even where the fulfillment of a promise is not so plain, it is nevertheless certain that their principles, carried into practice as they carried them into practice, must, in the very nature of things, have resulted thus.

For example: when we look for that supporting power which sustained them during the first years of their wilderness life, under trial

that had crushed others who attempted the same thing before them, we can find nothing peculiar in their case ; nothing but *strong faith*, reinforced and invigorated under the ministry of the word. On every principle of reason then, and common sense, we ought to ascribe their triumph to *this*. In all truthfulness and honesty they could say, as they often did, in the language of David, " We had fainted, unless we had believed to see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living." And if we ask by what means their numbers and their power have found such boundless enlargement, we seem to hear a voice from heaven, saying, " Those that be planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God." Their very names, cast out as evil once, now fill the trump of fame,—just as God has said, " Them that honor me, I will honor." Though dead, they yet speak ; for, dying in the Lord, " their works do follow them," and give every year a deeper meaning to their words, a more questionless authority to their deeds. What reformer of the public morals, even in this age of great reforms and many reformers, could not take profitable lessons from those men, of whom it was once said, in a sermon before the British Parliament, " I have lived among them seven years, and yet I never heard one profane oath, and never saw one drunkard there." Some will be surprised at such testimony. They ought not to be. There is no reason why they should be. For how could it have been otherwise in a community whose entire population spent fifty-two days every year in what, to them, was the immediate presence of the Holy One, humbly bowing before his throne, and praying from the heart, " Oh that my ways were directed to keep thy statutes !" Let any other people thus plant themselves in the house of God, and thus pray before him habitually, and one might live among them more than seven years without hearing an oath or seeing a drunkard. Even that great discovery in political science which has given them most renown, namely, *that all men are born free and equal*—which they inculcated so incessantly that it had become a self-evident fact among their descendants of 1776—was unfolded to their view in the sanctuary, where the rich and the poor, meeting together on the same level, paid united homage to a Being so exalted in their ideas of him, as to equalize all other distinctions of rank ; just as the stars, on account of their immense distance, all seem equally distant from us. This great idea of human equality was first thrown up to their view along with those deep things of God, and his government, which burst upon their minds in the hours of earnest devotion. And if to these facts we add those more spiritual and precious experiences of God's grace imparted to their souls, of his love shed abroad in their hearts while worshipping before him, we shall have a still stronger illustration of what God does



for the children of men when he meets them and blesses them, as the God of Bethel.

Now it is the object of HOME MISSIONS to bring this entire land of ours under these benignant smiles of Heaven, by placing all the people in communication with that medium through which they descend. And we are doing it with a rapidity, and to an extent, which fills the most sanguine friends with surprise, when they compare the results with the means employed. During the year just closed, the AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY, through which this State Society acts as one of its most efficient Auxiliaries, sustained 1,047 ministers, preaching the gospel in eight different languages to 2,140 congregations, scattered over all the inhabited parts of our country. And among the more obvious and immediate results of their labors for that one year, they report 6,025 members added to the churches under their care, 2,816 souls hopefully converted in their congregations, 50 new churches organized by their agency, and 45 others, hitherto dependent on missionary aid, brought to the condition of self-support; besides 65 meeting-houses built, and 88 others begun. This great operation,—greater than imagination can grasp when we look at its wide relations and distant results,—has been carried forward through the year by a pecuniary income of only \$191,209;—a sum which would have built scarcely SEVEN MILES of rail-road at the average cost of constructing rail-roads in this country! What might not be done on a field so productive, and with such assurances of divine favor, if “the children of light” were as wise as “the children of this world in their generation”! Let all true friends of their country, by whatever other means they are laboring to secure its permanent well-being, redouble their efforts through this heaven-approved method, while they lift up unceasingly the prayer of David, “THE LORD HEAR THEE IN THE DAY OF TROUBLE; THE NAME OF THE GOD OF JACOB DEFEND THEE. SEND THEE HELP FROM THE SANCTUARY, AND STRENGTHEN THEE OUT OF ZION.”

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr.	The Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in account with Benjamin Perkins, Treasurer.		Cr.
To paid Missionaries the past year, . . . .	\$5,245 83	By balance last year, . . . .	\$1,097 77
" American Home Missionary Society, . . .	26,000 00	" Contributions and Legacies, . . . .	31,723 97
" Agency, traveling expenses, and incidentals, .	1,153 80	" Income from Fund, . . . .	777 30
" A. B. C. F. M. from Mrs. Osborne's Fund, .	89 25	" Payment on Mortgage, . . . .	300 00
Balance to new account, . . . .	1,499 41	" From Mrs. Osborne's Fund, . . . .	89 25
	<u>\$33,988 29</u>		<u>\$33,988 29</u>

Boston, May 16, 1854.

BENJAMIN PERKINS, TREASURER.

Boston, May 20, 1854. I have examined the above account and find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

J. M. GORDON, AUDITOR.

NOTE.—In addition to the foregoing receipts, \$11,582 52, in the form of donations, contributions, and legacies, have been forwarded to the American Home Missionary Society from different parts of the State, which are not included in this Report, because they did not pass through this Treasury.

## DONATIONS,

From May 15, 1853, to May 15, 1854.

<i>Abington</i> , Legacy of Edward Cobb, in part,	175 00
South Cong. Ch. and Soc.	103 38
South, 2d Ch. and Soc. mon. conc.	13 00
East, Harvey Torrey, Esq., to const. Chas. W. Torrey and Miss Miranda Torrey L. M.	100 00
<i>Adams</i> , Rev. Mr. Crawford's Soc.	22 50
<i>Amesbury</i> , Ladies' Social Circle, Rev. Mr. Paine's Soc. to const. Mr. Thomas T. Merrill L. M.	39 78
To const. Stephen Nichols, Abner Sargent, Wm. Haskell, L. M.	92 20
West, Rev. Mr. Payne's Soc.	18 98
and Salisbury, Cong. Soc. 20; 15,	35 00
<i>Amherst</i> , 1st parish to const. Rev. Edward and Mrs. Lucy Dwight, L. M.	173 85
Hon. Edward Dickinson to const. Wm. Austin Dickinson a L. M.	30 00
John Leland, Esq.	10 00
South, Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Dea. O. Dickinson a L. M.	30 00
<i>Andover</i> , Society of Inquiry, Phillips Academy, to const. Addison Van Name, Wm. Greenough Harding, and Thomas B. Reynolds, L. M.	90 00
Mr. Cooper, by Rev. C. Smith,	2 50
North, Evan. Ch. and Society to const. Rev. W. T. and Mrs. Abby L. Briggs, L. M.	80 00
South, Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Edward Taylor, W. Phillips Foster, Dea. Albert Abbott, Nathan Abbott, Dea. Amos Abbott, Samuel T. Cooper and Dea. Joseph Cummings, L. M.	230 22
Theological Seminary,	75 00
West, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	12 07
<i>Ashburnham</i> , Rev. J. D. Crosby,	5 00
Cong. Ch. and Soc.	31 53
<i>Ashby</i> , Fem. Cent. Soc. to const. Mrs. G. L. Hitchcock a L. M.	37 00
Cong. Ch. and Soc.	27 00
Balance of contrib.	3 00
<i>Ashland</i> , Miss Sarah Shepard,	1 50
<i>Athol</i> , Rev. Mr. Norton's Soc.	51 00
<i>Attleboro'</i> , Fem. Benev. Soc. to const. Mrs. Minda Babcock a L. M.	37 92
Rev. Mr. Crane's Soc.	20 79
2d Cong. Ch. and Soc.	36 60
West, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	28 09
Female H. M. Soc.	9 53
<i>Auburndale</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	134 00
<i>Barre</i> , Evan Cong. Soc.	69 00
<i>Barnstable</i> , Centreville Cong. Soc.	22 75
West, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	15 34
<i>Bedford</i> , Cong. Soc. mon. conc.	17 41
Fem. Char. Soc.	7 00
<i>Belchertown</i> , Benev. Assoc.	70 00
<i>Berkshire and Columbia H. M. Soc.</i> , L. Church, Tr. Cong. Soc., Lee, \$30 of wh. from Mr. Wm. Bartlett to cons. Rev. N. Gale a L. M.; \$30 from Mr. Edward Bliss to const. himself a L. M.	267 00
to const. Rev. C. H. Norton and Mrs. Lucy Smith, North Becket; Rev. H. Phelps, Curtisville; Hon. J. Z. Goodrich and E. B. Canning, Stockbridge, and Hon. W. C. Plunkett, South Adams, L. M.	300 00
to const. Samuel Russell, Esq. a L. M.	300 00
do. do.	425 00
<i>Berlin</i> , A friend to home missions,	5 00
A friend,	3 00
<i>Beverly</i> , Washington St. Ch. to const. Rev. A. B. Rich L. M.	83 00
Dane St. Ch., ladies and gent.	90 80
<i>Billerica</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	25 00
Rev. Mr. Stearns,	10 00
<i>Boston</i> , Mr. Kingsbury,	1 00
Bowdoin St. Ch. contr. 1852,	611 00
P. R. Woodford, to const. Mrs. Harriet W. Woodford a L. M.	50 00

<i>Boston</i> , Mr. George Smith,	5 00
Rev. Dr. Jenks,	10 00
Samuel Coverly,	10 00
Miss Blodgett,	1 00
Miss Sarah Tuttle, to const. her a L. M.	30 00
German Evang. Ch.	20 00
T. S.	3 00
Mount Vernon Ch. and Soc.	1,091 03
Bowdoin St. " "	731 50
Salem St. " "	136 06
Phillips " "	329 70
Maverick " "	52 53
Park St. " " §60 to const. Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Lamson L. M.	864 50
Central " "	574 88
Essex St. " "	1,221 20
Old South " "	608 50
Shawmut " "	206 42
Alfred B. Ely, to const. him a L. D.	100 00
A. J. Morse,	20 00
A friend,	5 00
<i>Boylston</i> , West Cong. Soc.	53 28
<i>Bradford</i> , Wm. F. Johnson to const. Mrs. Nancy Johnson a L. M.	30 00
<i>Braintree</i> , 1st Parish Ladies' H. M. Soc. to const. Mrs. Susan Sietson and Miss Eunice Storrs, L. M.	73 00
Rev. Dr. Storr's Soc. quarterly coll.	23 00
" " " " "	21 00
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" " " " "	20 00
Monthly concert in do.	50 00
<i>Bridgewater</i> , Scotland Soc.	10 00
Rev. Mr. Farnsworth,	2 00
<i>North</i> , Porter Soc.	177 00
A lady,	1 00
<i>Brighton</i> , Evang. Soc.	87 16
<i>Brimfield</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	88 00
<i>Brookfield Mutual Assistance Assoc.</i> S. M. Lane, Tr. viz. Holland Ladies' Cent. Soc. in full to const. Mrs. Lucena Allen a L. M. 16; Southbridge, Cong. Ch. and Soc. 100; Ware, 1st parish, 40.	156 00
New Braintree, Cong. Soc. 73 18; Oakham, 46; contrib. at meeting of conference, 13 67,	132 85
<i>Brookfield</i> , Evan. Soc.	8 00
<i>North</i> , 1st Cong. Ch. and Soc.	29 00
<i>West</i> , Legacy of Moses Barnes, in part,	100 00
" " Mrs. Elizabeth Ellis, in part,	20 00
Cong. Ch. and Soc.	55 00
<i>Brookline</i> , Harvard Ch. and Soc.	235 80
Mrs. Sarah Craft,	10 00
<i>Burlington</i> , Female Miss. Soc.	30 00
Juv. Benev. Soc. 12,00; 10,00,	22 00
Cong. Ch. and Soc.	21 50
<i>Cambridge</i> , Shepard Ch. Ladies' Sew. Soc.	73 78
Shepard Cong. Soc.	174 25
" " mon. conc.	61 75
<i>Cambridgeport</i> , Mr. E. D. Goodrich to const. Mrs. Sarah L. Goodrich a L. M.	30 00
A Lad in S. School,	82
Rev. Mr. Stearns's Soc.	134 37
<i>Canton</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	10 00
<i>Carlisle</i> , Rev. Mr. Lawrence's Soc.	20 00
<i>Carver</i> , North, Ezra Lucas,	2 00
<i>Charlstown</i> , Winthrop Ch. and Soc.	370 43
1st Ch. and Soc.	97 00
Do. from J. H. and J. F. H. to const. James H. Hunnewell and Rev. W. I. Buddington L. M.	103 00
A friend, 3; do. 5,	8 00
<i>Chatham</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Mark Snow a L. M.	31 34
Ladies' Benev. Soc.	15 00
<i>Chelsea</i> , Winnisimmet Ch. and Soc.	267 06
<i>Chilmark</i> , Legacy of Miss Mary Jones,	100 00
<i>Cleveland, Ohio</i> , F. E. Churchill,	5 00
<i>Clinton</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	37 75
<i>Cohasset</i> , Mrs. David S. Sutton,	5 00
<i>Concord</i> , Orthodox Cong. Soc.	40 17

<i>Concord</i> , A friend, to const. Mrs. Mary B. Pratt a L. M.	30 00
Cong. Soc. 50 of wh. from Col. Austin Rice, to const. Mrs. Ebenezer Ames a L. M.	189 00
<i>South</i> , A lady,	1 00
<i>Danvers</i> , Third Church Ladies' H. M. Soc.	48 84
1st Ch. to const. Mrs. Susan Putnam a L. M.	30 00
2d Ch. and Soc.	226 00
<i>South</i> , Friends,	2 00
<i>Dartmouth, South</i> , Rev. Mr. Mandell's Soc. to const. Clarissa C. Bailey and Charlotte Baxter L. M.	50 00
<i>Dedham</i> , Rev. Dr. Burgess's Soc.	74 23
Mrs. Burgess,	100 00
South Cong. Soc.	20 00
Female H. M. Soc.	45 00
<i>Deerfield, South</i> , Monument Ch.	26 00
<i>Dennis, South</i> , Rev. Mr. Thatcher's Soc. to const. Capt. Seth Collins a L. M.	62 00
<i>Detroit, Mich.</i> Miss Mary M. Curtis,	6 00
<i>Dorchester</i> , 2d Ch. and Soc. Ladies' Miss Soc. to const. Mrs. L. Tucker, Mrs. L. Trescott, Mrs. H. Tolman, Miss C. Sherburne, and Miss E. Withington, L. M.	182 70
Do. to const. James Means, and 40 from T. D. Quincy to cons. Mr. W. Wales L. M.	236 80
Neponset H. M. Circle to const. Mrs. Sophia Hildreth a L. M.	47 50
Village Ladies' Sew. Circle to const. Mrs. Olive Jenkins and Rev. Daniel T. Noyes, L. M.	79 00
<i>Dover</i> , Mon. conc. 6 50; Miss P. Wright, 10,	16 50
<i>Dracut</i> , Evan Cong. Soc.	17 00
<i>Dudley</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	57 12
<i>Dunstable</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	24 34
<i>East Hampton</i> , Ladies' Benev. Soc. to const. Mrs. A. M. Colton a L. M.	30 00
Samuel Williston, Esq. to const. Elzathan Graves, S. Williston Hayden, Rev. Luther Wright, Rev. R. S. Stone, and S. Williston Graves, L. M.	150 00
<i>Enfield</i> , Benev. Soc. to const. Miss Susan Howard Forbes and Mr. Wm. G. Morse, L. M.	680 00
<i>Essex</i> , 1st Cong. Soc.	12 56
<i>Essex North Aux. Soc.</i> J. Caldwell, Tr.—Rowley, Rev. Mr. Pike's Soc. 62 15; Newburyport, Rev. Dr. Dimmick's Soc. to const. Miss Hannah M. Sumner a L. M. 32 62,	94 77
Rev. Mr. Fisk's Soc. Newbury, ladies, 190 72, coll. 50 63; Rev. Mr. Tenney's Soc. 7 58; to const. Mrs. Josiah Chase, Mrs. N. Pendegast, Mrs. B. G. Hunt, Mrs. M. O. Delano, Wm. Moulton, E. Merrill, Jr., Israel A. Morse, and Wm. Goodwin, L. M.	248 93
Coll. at meeting, West Newbury,	31 02
<i>Essex South Conference</i> , C. M. Richardson, Tr.—Ipswich, Rev. Mr. Fitz's Soc. 46; Middleton, Ladies' H. M. Soc. to const. Mrs. Andrew F. Averill a L. M. 30,	76 00
<i>Fairhaven</i> , Rev. Mr. Roberts's Soc.	65 00
<i>Full River</i> , Central Ch.	168 25
Dr. N. Durfee to const. his son, H. C. Durfee, a L. M.	30 00
<i>Falmouth</i> , Rev. Mr. Hooker's Soc.	157 00
2d Cong. Soc. of Waquoit,	8 00
<i>North</i> , Rev. Mr. Greene's Soc.	58 00
<i>East</i> , 2d Ch. and Soc.	4 70
<i>Fitchburg</i> , Cong. Char. Soc. to const. Rev. G. B. Wilcox, W. H. Voss, Aaron Eaton, Jr., Mrs. Anna P. Wyman, Mrs. Sophia M. Upton, L. M.	183 64
Ladies' H. M. Soc., to const. Mrs. Harriet W. Garfield, Mrs. Jane W. Andrews, Mrs. Ann Frost, Mrs. Louisa A. Low, L. M.	115 00
<i>Foxboro'</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	58 50
Miss Susan Payson,	10 00
Third District Fem. Benev. Soc.	8 16
<i>Franklin</i> , Fem. Char. Soc.	30 00
Legacy of Olive Pond,	25 00
<i>Franklin County H. M. Soc.</i> , S. S. Eastman, Tr.	
Charlemont, Gent.'s Assoc. 1st. Cong. Soc.	11 25
Warwick, Ladies' Asso. Trinitarian Soc.	12 00
" Gent. " " "	14 00
" Mon. conc.	6 00
<i>South Deerfield</i> , 1st Cong. Soc.	26 81
<i>Heath</i> , Cong. Soc.	23 00
<i>Greenfield</i> , 1st Cong. Soc.	35 65
<i>Shelburne Falls</i> ,	32 75

Sunderland, Cong. Soc. to const. Rev. Sereno D. Clark and J. L. Graves L. M.	70 82	
Barnardston Cong. Soc. to const. Miss C. S. Slate a L. M.	30 44	262 72
Deerfield, Orthodox Soc. to const. Asabel Wright a L. M. 30; Gill, Cong. Soc. 7 67; Leverett, Cong. Soc. 17 21; Montague, Ladies, 16 81; Gents. 16 36; Mon. conc. 6 47; South Deerfield, 1st Cong. Soc. 26 40; Rowe, A. Burbank in full for L. M. 15; Charlemont, Ladies, 1st Cong. Soc. 11 89; Shelburne, Ladies, 1st Cong. Soc. 25 94; Gents. 21 20; Greenfield, 1st Cong. Soc. 33 07; 2d. do. 78 27; Buckland, Cong. Soc. 45 16; Leverett, Cong. Soc. 19 76; Orange, Central Ch. Mrs. Clapp's class, 5 25; Ashfield, Gents. Benev. Soc. 23 33; Ladies' do. 18 32, to const. Rev. W. Gilbert a L. M.	419 21	
Georgetown, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	60 30	
Gloicester, H. M. Soc. for the West, to const. Mrs. Mary L. Low a L. M.	30 00	
North Cong. Soc.	13 25	
Evans Cong. Soc. to const. Rev. J. L. Hatch a L. M.	30 00	
Grafton, Miss E. M. Merriam, dec'd,	2 00	
Greenwich, Cong. Soc., Ladies,	41 88	
Griggsville, Ill. Cong. Ch. mon. conc.	22 60	
Groeland, Ladies' Benev. Soc. to const. Rev. D. W. Pickard a L. M.	30 00	
Hadley, Benev. Soc., 3d Ch. 40; 10;	50 00	
Mr. Ayers's Sabbath School Class,	3 00	
North, Friends to H. M. to const. Sherman Sabin a L. M.	30 00	
Halfax, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	12 03	
Hamilton, Rev. Mr. Mordeau's Soc.	87 00	
Hampden Co. H. M. Soc., H. Brewer, Jr. Tr.—30 of wh. from Ladies' Sew. Cir. Blandford, to const. Mrs. Watson E. Boies a L. M.; 60 from Ladies' Benev. Soc. N. Wilbraham, to const. Mrs. Dorcas N. Merrick and Mrs. Betsey Adams L. M.	625 00	
200 of wh. legacy of Gideon Bart of Longmeadow; 60 to const. Mr. Reuben Boies and Mrs. Sally Boies L. M.	354 00	
To const. Dea. W. O. Vining, N. Wilbraham; Mrs. J. W. Harding and Miss Louisa P. Burbank, Longmeadow, L. M.; 168 from Ladies' Sew. Soc. Rev. Mr. Buckingham's ch. Springfield, for support of a missionary at the West; 168 from Mr. Charles Merriam to const. him a L. D. and Mr. Henry Brewer, Jr., L. M.	1,240 11	
Harmony Conference, W. C. Capron, Tr.—East Douglas, 82 11; Coll. at meeting of conf. 30 89.	113 00	
Hardwick, 1st Calvinistic Ch. and Soc.	61 43	
Harwich, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	22 00	
Hatfield, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	165 39	
Haverhill, Legacy of Moses Gale, by M. Howe, Esq.	200 00	
Rev. Mr. Lewis's Soc.	30 00	
Centre Cong. Soc. to const. Rev. B. F. Hosford, Benj. Emerson, Mrs. Mary Tappan, and Mrs. Lydia Greenleaf, L. M.	142 51	
Hinsdale, Rev. Mr. Clark's Soc. ann. coll. 165; mon. conc. 45 43—to const. Epaphras Curtis, Wm. W. Adams, Charles K. Tracy, John Merrill, and Rufus Apthorp, L. M.	210 43	
Holden, Legacy of Mrs. M. Hubbard, in part,	24 96	
Holland, Cong. Soc. mon. conc.	5 00	
Holliston, Rev. Mr. Tucker's Soc.	76 00	
A dying Christian, by D. B. Fitts,	2 15	
Holmes's Hole, Cong. Ch.	15 00	
Hopkinton, Ladies' H. M. Soc. to const. Mrs. Betsey Gray and Mrs. Abel Underwood L. M.	72 01	
Ladies' Miss. Soc. to const. Mrs. James Bowker and Mrs. Isaac Adams L. M.	67 00	
Apowick, Rev. Mr. Southgate's Soc.	92 85	
Kingston, 2d Cong. Ch. and Soc. in full to const. Miss Maria E. Howe a L. M.	17 46	
2d Cong. Ch. and Soc.	11 00	
Laksville, Rev. Mr. Chapman's Soc.	60 03	
Leicester, Cong. Ch. and Soc. 22, 31,	53 00	
Lawrence, Lawrence St. Ch.	50 00	
Leicester, Cong. Soc. to const. Mrs. C. M. Denison, Miss M. A. Loring, Willard Howe, Marshall S. Mead, and Miss M. E. Denny, L. M.	150 00	
Linbrook, Ladies' Assoc.	10 00	
Lowell, A friend,	5 00	
John St. Ch.	19 60	
Appleton St. Ch. mon. conc. 10.75; coll. 60.00,	70 75	

<i>Lunenburg</i> , Evan Cong. Ch.	3 62
<i>Lynnfield</i> , Centre Cong. Soc.	10 00
<i>Malden</i> , Ladies' Benev. Soc.	13 00
South Cong. Soc.	8 88
<i>Manchester</i> , Fem. Miss. Soc.	15 00
Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Rev. R. Taylor, Dea. John Fowler, and Henry Kitfield, L. M.	82 80
England, A. S. Thornton, Esq.	150 00
<i>Mansfield</i> , Mrs. Betsey Fisher,	5 00
<i>Marblehead</i> , Rev. Mr. Lawrence's Soc. to const. Benj. F. Hooper, Henry Hooper, Mrs. Sarah H. Peirce, and Miss Catherine Fattyplace, L. M.	154 00
<i>Marshfield</i> , Rev. Mr. Alden's Soc. to const. M. C. Sampson a L. M.	31 88
South, Miss Lucia W. Packard,	7 00
<i>Mass. Gen. Assoc.</i> N. Yarmouth,	17 76
<i>Mattapoisett</i> , Cong. Soc.	53 45
<i>Medford</i> , 2d Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Rev. E. P. Marvin a L. M.	41 89
Mystic Ch. and Soc.	173 50
<i>Medway</i> , Legacy of Mrs. Elizabeth Baxter,	70 00
Rev. Mr. Sanford's Soc. J. C. Hurd and family, 50; coll. 37 25,—to const. Miss E. S. Boyd, Mrs. M. A. Washburn, and Mrs. Betsey L. Adams, L. M.	87 25
East, Cong. Soc. to const. Mrs. J. O. Means and Dea. J. Blake L. M.	77 25
West, Rev. Dr. Ide's Soc. to const. Mrs. Mary C. Metcalf a L. M.	48 38
<i>Methuen</i> , Rev. Mr. Phillips's Soc. to const. Isaac H. Laney, Joseph S. Howe, Jacob Emerson, and Mrs. Sarah C. Howe, L. M.	120 00
To const. Miss Josephine Davis a L. M.	32 88
<i>Middleboro'</i> , 1st Cong. Ch. and Soc.	61 00
<i>Middlesex</i> , North, C. Lawrence, Tr.—Leominster, 58 67; Lunenburg, to const. John Howard a L. M. 30; Harvard, 64 25; Shirley, 6 50; Groton, to const. Mr. D. Blanchard a L. M. 36 41,	195 83
Rel. Char. Soc., C. Lawrence, Tr.—Pepperell Evan. Soc. 82 16; Westford, 19 66; Pepperell, 49 80; Littleton, 16 50,	168 12
<i>Milford</i> , Fem. Benev. Soc. 5; Mrs. N. Rawson, 1,	6 00
<i>Milton</i> , A friend to const. Mrs. Mary Reed a L. M.	30 00
1st Cong. Soc. to const. Dea. W. Tucker and Mrs. C. C. Teele L. M.	62 00
<i>Natick</i> , 1st Cong. Ch. and Soc.	74 87
<i>New Bedford</i> , Mrs. Fanny Montague,	3 00
<i>New Braintree</i> , Lorenzo Couverse,	100 00
<i>Newbury</i> , 1st parish, Ladies' Reading Soc. in full, to const. Rev. L. Withington a L. D.	50 00
<i>Newburyport</i> , Capt. Nath'l Smith, 300; Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, 100,	400 00
Rev. Dr. Dummick's Soc.	123 63
" " mon. conc.	29 84
Fem. Christian Knowledge Soc.	10 00
Ladies in 4th Ch. to const. Henry Spiller a L. M.	41 70
<i>Newton</i> , 1st Ch. and Soc. 60 21; mon. conc. 56 13,	116 34
Eliot Ch. and Soc.	55 00
1st Ch. and Soc.	19 89
Rev. Dr. Gilbert's Soc.	128 48
Miss Susan Cushing,	5 00
East Parish mon. conc.	56 84
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**II.** It shall be the duty of the President to regulate the meetings of the Society, and, *ex-officio*, to act as one of the Board of Trustees; seven of whom shall constitute a quorum for business, at any meeting regularly convened.

**III.** The Trustees shall, immediately after each Annual Meeting of the Society, appoint an Executive Committee of seven, (including the Secretary and Treasurer,) residing in Boston and its vicinity; four of whom shall be a quorum at any regular meeting. This Committee shall have power to appoint its own meetings, form its



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 Stone, Albert, do  
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 Stone, Levi, Greenfield  
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 Storrs, Rev R. S., Jr., Brooklyn, N. Y.  
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 Strong, Lewis, Northampton  
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 Sumner, Miss Hannah M., Newburyport  
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 Swallow, Joseph, Dunstable  
 Sweet, Joseph, Shelburne  
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 Taft, Miss Amanda, Uxbridge  
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 Tappan, John, Boston  
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 Terry, Rev James, South Weymouth  
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1. That the Executive Committee may know how much ground is occupied in the State by auxiliaries—and how much is unorganized.

2. That they may know with whom to correspond officially—and how to make arrangements for delegations to the annual meetings of auxiliaries.

3. That they may forward the Annual Reports of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, and of the American Home Missionary Society, to the several auxiliaries—and also the "Home Missionary" to each association contributing ten dollars or more annually to the funds of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

*Unless special directions be given to the contrary, these publications will be forwarded by mail.*

## APPLICATIONS FOR AID.

It is expected that any feeble congregation desiring aid in supporting the gospel, will regard the following particulars in their application, not only in the first instance, but as often as the application is renewed.

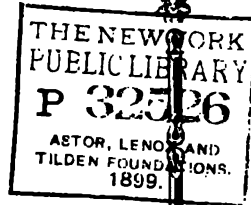
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3. The whole population of the town or parish.
4. The number usually attending public worship, or the number that may be expected to attend.
5. The amount of property belonging to members of the society, as rated on the State bill, or town valuation.
6. The amount supposed necessary for a minister's support.
7. The mode of collection—whether by tax or voluntary subscription.
8. The utmost amount that can be secured for the object, within the limits of the society.
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10. The probable length of time for which charitable aid will be needed.

A written statement on these topics, signed by a committee of the church or society, is required, and the correctness of the statement is to be vouched by two or three neighboring ministers, who are expected at the same time to certify that in their opinion the request for assistance ought to be granted.

## FORM OF A BEQUEST TO THE MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

I give unto the Treasurer of the "Massachusetts Home Missionary Society," the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ dollars, for the purposes of said Society — and for which the receipt of such Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge —

Some important legacies have been lost to the cause of Home Mission, through inattention to the legal name of the Society, to which they were given.



# **FIFTY-SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT**

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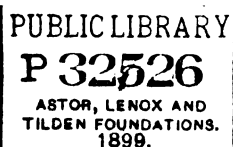
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AT THE

**Anniversary Meeting in Boston, May 29, 1855.**

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BOSTON:

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## NOTICES.

ALL communications intended for the Executive Committee, and any correspondence relating to the general interests of the Society, may be addressed to **REV. JOSEPH S. CLARK, Secretary, No. 11 Tremont Temple, Boston.**

All remittances of money, and whatever communications relate to the pecuniary concerns of the Board, may be made to **BENJAMIN PERKINS, Esq., Treasurer, No. 228 Washington Street, Boston.**

Persons, in any part of the State, wishing to become Life Members or Life Directors of the American Home Missionary Society—or to make donations in any form to its funds, can transmit their donations through the treasury of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

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1. What is the number of rateable polls—also families—in your society?
2. What is the amount of your Society's valuation on the town assessors' book?
3. What proportion of it is in the hands of church members?
4. What aid do you receive from persons in your congregation not connected with your society?
5. What productive funds has your society?
6. What is your stipulated salary?
7. How is it raised—by tax or subscription?
8. Is it punctually paid?
9. What is the average number in your Sabbath congregations?
10. What is the number of your church members—male—female?
11. What additions during the year ending April 1st—by profession—by letter?
12. What the number of baptisms—adult—infant?
13. How many hopeful conversions have occurred?
14. What is the number in your Sabbath school and Bible class?
15. What progress has been made in temperance?
16. What is the amount of contributions to the Mass. Home Missionary Society?
17. What the amount contributed to all other religious charities?
18. What special encouragements or discouragements have you in your labors?

[In answering these inquiries, it will only be necessary to refer to their numerical designation, without transcribing them.]

## ANNUAL MEETING.

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THE MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY held its *Fifty-sixth* Annual Meeting for business at the Room of the Executive Committee, 11 Tremont Temple, May 29, 1855,—Rev. BROWN EMERSON, D. D., in the chair.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. S. S. HYDE.

Rev. ERASTUS MALTBY was chosen Clerk.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary.

The Treasurer presented his Report for the year, which was read and accepted.

*Voted*, That an abstract of the Executive Committee's Report be read by the Secretary at the public meeting this evening.

The Officers for the ensuing year then were chosen. (See next page.)

*Voted*, That the SECRETARY, and Rev. ROBERT CARVER of Raynham, be delegates from this body to the General Association of Massachusetts, to meet in June at Northampton.

*Voted*, That the Society now adjourn to meet in the Tremont Temple at 7½ o'clock this evening, to attend the public exercises of the Anniversary.

ERASTUS MALTBY, Clerk.

## PUBLIC MEETING.

At the appointed hour Tremont Temple was filled with an intelligent audience, to participate in the public services of the Anniversary, the President, Rev. RICHARD S. STORRS, D. D., in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Rev. JOEL HAWES, D. D., of Hartford, Ct.

A brief abstract of the Report of the Executive Committee was read by the Secretary, Rev. JOSEPH S. CLARK, D. D.

Animated and appropriate addresses were then made in support of the following Resolutions, by their respective movers, viz.:

*Resolved*, That the Report of the Executive Committee, an abstract of which has now been read, be adopted, and printed under their direction.

By Rev. B. D. COE, one of the Secretaries of the American Home Missionary Society, New York.

*Resolved*, That this Society has strong claims on our aid, because it gains its end by means of preachers of the gospel, and churches of Christ.

By Rev. GEORGE W. BLADEN, D. D., of Boston.

*Resolved*, That the characteristics of Western society encourage our efforts for its evangelization, but also threaten great and unusual evils if this be not speedily effected.

By Rev. JOSHUA T. TUCKER, of Holliston.

The large audience manifested the intensity of their interest in the services of the evening by their unbroken silence and fixed attention,—scarcely an individual leaving the house till the Benediction was pronounced by the President at precisely 9½ o'clock.

## OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY.

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REV. RICHARD S. STORRS, D. D.

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• "Though dead, they speak in reason's ear."

In presence of such "a cloud of witnesses," the Executive Committee present their **FIFTY-SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT**, with a willing recognition of the fact, that "one soweth and another reapeth ;" that the golden harvest of the past year has been gathered, in great part, from fields which they planted and watered.

### The Treasury.

On the 15th of May, 1854, when the financial year commenced, there was a balance in the Treasurer's hands of \$1,499 41. The

*receipts* from all sources, during the subsequent twelve months, to May 15, 1855, have amounted to \$48,104 42; of which \$38,408 46 came into this Treasury, and \$9,695 96 went directly to the National Society at New York; not because it was designed for a different purpose, but simply for the reason that the donors found it more convenient.

The *disbursements*, during the same time, have been \$4,901 67 for missionary service performed in Massachusetts; \$1,889 32 in defraying the proportion of incidental expenses pertaining to this Auxiliary; and \$31,000 for missionary labor in other parts of the land, under the direction of the American Home Missionary Society; and there is a balance of \$2,416 88 now remaining in the Treasury, wherewith to commence the work of another year.

A comparison of the foregoing figures with those of the previous year will show an advance of \$2,631 31 in the receipts from Massachusetts to the cause of Home Missions; and a diminution of \$344 16 in the amount paid for missionary labor within her bounds. This twofold advance is the more worthy of our grateful recognition on account of the financial embarrassments which the country has suffered since the last anniversary. It will be noticed, however, by inspecting the Treasurer's account, that the legacies amount to \$6,602, which is a larger proportion than usual, though still showing some increase in the stated contributions. The collections in Boston have exceeded those of any former year by nearly \$2,000.

#### Tabular View.

As on former occasions, so now, the names of the missionaries, the date of their commissions, and the fields of their labor, together with the statistics of the churches, so far as they can be expressed in figures, are given in the following table. The details of missionary labor, and its results in each station, instead of being condensed into a few brief "remarks," appended to the table, as heretofore, are expanded into short sketches, derived chiefly from the correspondence of the missionaries, and, as far as practicable, in their own words.

Churches and Missionaries.	Date of Commission.	Length of com.	Dollars approp'd.	Average cong'n.	Church members.	Added by prof.	Added by letter.	Infants baptized.	Reported conver.	Sab. sch. & B. cl.	Contributions to Home Missions.	Contributed to other objects.
1. ASHBURNHAM, <i>North</i> . Rev. Josiah D. Crosby, <i>s. s.</i> . . .	June 1, 1854	12	100	100	50				11	75	8 00	17 00
2. AUSTERLITZ, N. Y. Rev. Samuel Utley, <i>P.</i> . . .	Jan. 1, 1855	12	75	90	45		1	1	65			45 00
3. BARNSTABLE, <i>Hyannis</i> . Rev. John U. Parsons, <i>s. s.</i> . . .	Nov. 1, 1854	12	200	100	17	4	2	2	3	75		
4. BOSTON, <i>German Evang.</i> Rev. Louis B. Schwartz, <i>P.</i> . . .	Nov. 17, 1854	12	200	140	100	11	18	7	90	20 00		80 00
5. CANTON. Rev. Solomon Clark, <i>P.</i> . . .	July 1, 1854	12	150	100	34		5	1	1	72	20 00	40 00
6. CARLISLE. Rev. John Lawrence, <i>P.</i> . . .	April 1, 1854	12	125	100	60	2	4	7	2	80	18 54	51 49
7. CHESTER, <i>Factories</i> . Rev. Samuel Osgood, D. D., <i>s. s.</i> . . .	May 23, 1854	12	100									
8. DANA. Rev. John Keep, <i>P.</i> . . .	Jan. 1, 1855,	12	150	110	23	3	2	3	2	60	15 00	28 30
9. DOVER. Rev. John Haskell, <i>P.</i> . . .	June 20, 1854	12	100	75	41		2		1	40	8 00	12 00
10. FALMOUTH, <i>Waquoit</i> . Rev. Horace Pratt, <i>s. s.</i> . . .	June 1, 1854	12	75	150	54					75	15 90	23 90
11. GLOUCESTER, <i>Lanesville</i> . Rev. Nathaniel Richardson, <i>P.</i> . . .	Nov. 12, 1854	12	175	180	48	1	4	3		115		13 00
12. GLOUCESTER, <i>West</i> . Rev. Levi Wheaton, <i>P.</i> . . .	July 16, 1854	12	175	80	35	1				70		
13. HAVERHILL, <i>East</i> . Rev. Wales Lewis, <i>P.</i> . . .	May 28, 1854	12	150	110	27				8	60	21 00	33 50
14. HINGHAM. Rev. E. Porter Dyer, <i>P.</i> . . .	Sept. 15, 1854	12	200								10 00	31 34
15. HOLLAND. Rev. Horace R. Grannis, <i>s. s.</i> . . .	June 1, 1854	12	125	100	51					50	20 00	20 00
16. HOUSATONIC. Rev. Jacob Miller, <i>s. s.</i> . . .	April 15, 1854	12	100	100	40		2			40	40 00	40 00
17. LITTLETON. Rev. Elisha Loomis, <i>s. s.</i> . . .	Oct. 23, 1854	12	150	65	34	1		1	35	20 00		54 25
18. LONGMEADOW, <i>East</i> . Rev. J. R. Brown, <i>P.</i> . . .	Nov. 1, 1854	12	100	125	96		1			50		11 00
19. LYNNFIELD, <i>Centre</i> . Rev. U. W. Condit, <i>P.</i> . . .	Sept. 3, 1854	12	150	150	61	2				78	12 50	12 50
20. MENDON. Rev. W. P. Doe, <i>s. s.</i> . . .	May 1, 1854	12	200	65	35	1	2	1	18	45	12 00	20 00
21. MONTGOMERY. Rev. Lemuel P. Bates, <i>s. s.</i> . . .	May 15, 1854	6	100	100	18				2	50	10 00	
22. NEW SALEM. Rev. W. H. Hayward, <i>P.</i> . . .	Nov. 1, 1854	12	175	75	33	2			4	50		
23. ORANGE, <i>North</i> . Rev. S. J. M. Lord, <i>s. s.</i> . . .	Nov. 1, 1854	12	175	50	27					30		
24. PITTSFIELD, 2d ch. Rev. Samuel Harrison, <i>P.</i> . . .	Oct. 1, 1854	12	100	85	12		1	1		50		

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25. PRESCOTT. Rev. S. B. Gilbert, P. . . .	Oct. 1, 1854	12	100									
26. ROWE. Rev. Jeremiah Pomeroy, s. s. . .	Mar. 1, 1854	12	150	30	28					25 13 00		
27. SHUTESBURY. Rev. James Tisdale, P. . . .	Oct. 15, 1854	12	125	100	40					60 6 00	5 00	
28. SPRINGFIELD, <i>Indian Orchard</i> . Rev. Luther H. Cone, s. s. . .	Sept. 24, 1854	12	200	100	13	1				54 3 69	13 74	
29. STERLING. Rev. Charles Lothrop, s. s. . .	June 22, 1854	5	75	115	37	1	1			75 36 14		
30. STOCKBRIDGE, <i>Curtistville</i> . Rev. George Uhler, s. s. . . .	May 1, 1854	12	100	100	63	3	2	12		50 15 00	43 32	
31. TAUNTON, <i>East</i> . Rev. James E. Cushing, s. s. . .	Mar. 1, 1854	12	200	90	15	3				60		
32. TISBURY, <i>Holmes' Hole</i> . Rev. W. H. Sturtevant, s. s. . .	Jan. 1, 1855	12	150	80	26					53 15 00	20 00	
33. WARWICK. Rev. H. M. Bridge, s. s. . . .	Mar. 14, 1854	12	150	100	59	12	2	3	17	75 00 00	128 00	
34. WASHINGTON. Rev. Eber L. Clark, P. . . .	Feb. 2, 1854	12	100	70	26					40 14 00	23 00	
35. WEST ROXBURY, <i>Jamaica Plain</i> . Rev. Alonzo H. Quint, P. . . .	Sept. 14, 1854	12	300	150	49	5	17	10	3	97 25 00	75 00	
36. WOBURN, <i>North</i> . Rev. George T. Dole, P. . . .	July 1, 1854	12	175	150	48					70 15 00	8 00	
37. WRENTHAM, <i>North</i> . Rev. John Dwight, P. . . .	Jan. 1, 1855	12	100	100	35					50 30 00	20 00	
38. YARMOUTH, <i>West</i> . Rev. John H. Wells, P. . . .	Jan. 1, 1855	12	75	100	40					50		

### Details of Missionary Labor and its Results.

1. ASHBURNHAM, *North*.—On account of feeble health, Rev. Josiah W. Brown left, at the end of September, and his commission was transferred to Mr. Crosby, a resident in the centre village, who has often fulfilled the same office before, and always with good acceptance. The special influences of the Holy Spirit have been experienced during the winter. "Twenty or thirty have attended the inquiry meetings, and perhaps ten or twelve may be reckoned among the hopeful converts. Some difficulties also of long standing between members of the church have been healed. Temperance for many years has occupied a high position here, and still does."

2. AUSTERLITZ, N. Y.—The sectarian strifes of former years have resulted in spiritual dearth, personal animosities, and pecuniary weakness, which threaten to be permanent. The pastor reports harmony among the members of his own flock, and a strong desire to uphold the ministry. But

for reasons above hinted, the progress toward self-support is slow, and the prospect of more rapid advances is by no means cheering.

3. BARNSTABLE, *Hyannis*.—During the year a Congregational Society of sixteen members has been legally incorporated, in conjunction with the church which was gathered the year preceding. A meeting-house, built by the Methodists, has been bought and refitted, at an expense of \$1,400; and by the help of other churches on the Cape (which are showing a praiseworthy interest in this their youngest sister) the whole has been *paid for*. A communion set from the Eliot church in Newton, and other similar favors from friends in Boston, are tokens of sympathy from places more distant. "I look," says the missionary, "with increasing hope for *salvation*. God has given us every thing we have asked or needed, to prepare the way; and I cannot think he will long withhold the blessing. Indeed, we think that several have already been converted. Our Sabbath evening meeting is one of great interest, consisting of 100 to 180, nearly all young people, and not a dozen professors among them." A letter from Rev. Mr. Kirk, Boston, who passed a few weeks in this village last summer, bears the following testimony to the hopefulness of the enterprise:—"The selection of this field was a bold stroke; but the providence and grace of God have sanctioned it."

4. BOSTON, *German Evangelical*.—"Never has there been better attention paid to the message from heaven," says the pastor, "than during the past year, unskillfully as it has been delivered by me, over one hundred times. It has been a calm and peaceful year, after the storms of sectarian feeling in former years; and thrice have we had the pleasure of adding to the number of communicants by a public profession, while others give evidence of a deeper interest in religion. But a great number have also left us, for various reasons—the majority on account of hard times. In spite of that, however, the poor small number have paid a debt of \$300, and our organized sewing circle cleared \$130 for the repair of the house of worship. Our people consist of young men and women brought into the Bay State by the tide of emigration; or uneasy, restless, roving households constant to nothing but love of change, even in their church connections; while we also have enough of the needy and greedy adventurers and thriftless families—wrecks of character, who make what they can out of us, individually, and then try others."

5. CANTON.—The want of a new place of worship is not yet supplied; nor is there any hope that it will be at present. The "hard times" have borne heavily on this, as on most other manufacturing villages. The pecuniary strength is considerably less than was reported one year ago. "Yet the contributions to objects of benevolence are increasing. The amount given year before last was \$20; last year it was \$30; this year \$60 50." This is the most encouraging aspect of the pastor's report; and no small encouragement it is.

6. CARLISLE.—"A pretty good tone of religious feeling has existed,"



writes the pastor, "but nothing special. Some are serious, and even almost Christians. There have been 20 persons added to this church, since I was appointed to labor here, (a little over two years ago,) half, or more by profession; for which we are called to thank God and take courage." It is an excellent plan which the missionary has adopted, and worthy of imitation in all other parishes, to have a committee of brethren, including the pastor, appointed to visit all the members of the church annually, for religious conversation and prayer—not omitting the other families of the Society.

7. CHESTER, *Factories*.—This church is still without a resident minister. At their request Rev. Dr. Osgood, of Springfield, has supplied the pulpit through a large portion of the year. No statistics of the church have been reported; nor have the Executive Committee any knowledge of their present state or future plans.

8. DANA.—"A debt upon the Society, for their meeting-house, of \$600, has been met and provided for. To do this, two men in the Society who paid liberally one year ago, and as they thought what they were able, have each paid \$100 more." In consideration of these laudable efforts to relieve themselves, by exerting their own energies, the Executive Committee have pledged the same amount of aid for one year more. By the favor of Providence, and a continuance of the same earnest purpose, on the part of the people, it is believed that a reduction can then be safely made.

9. DOVER.—There has been no marked change during the year, though in his last report the pastor expresses the hope "that the leaven of gospel truth is working among some of the people who have been opposed, or at least indifferent, to its claims."

10. FALMOUTH, *Waquoit*.—"My field," writes the missionary, "has exhibited some of the elements of prosperity, but nothing of special interest." The sum of \$21 63 has been contributed for the increase of the Sabbath school library, in addition to their donations for benevolent objects.

11. GLOUCESTER, *Lanesville*.—This is the present post-office address of what has been known at different times as Lane's Cove, Annisquam, and North Gloucester. At the close of his fourth year, Rev. E. Seabury withdrew from his connection with this flock, which had been one of undisturbed harmony and mutual attachment. Mr. Richardson succeeded him in the pastoral office, December 14, and finds the same kind and co-operative spirit. The tide of prosperity which had been coming in under the ministry of his predecessor, is still rising, and promises soon to lift the good ship from the flats and bring her out of port. "I find among the members," says the pastor, "a desire, strong and general, to do without missionary aid just as soon as possible."

12. GLOUCESTER, *West*.—Inadequacy of support and the discouraging prospects of the field, induced the pastor to ask for a dismission last autumn;

but the solicitations of his flock, and their increased efforts to place him in more comfortable circumstances, have disposed him to waive his decision for the present. The great obstacle to success, viz., emigration from the parish, is not of a nature to be overcome by missionary funds or ministerial fidelity.

13. HAVERHILL, *East*.—Through most of the year there has been a marked solemnity in the congregation. About the middle of December several young people became more deeply impressed. "As these good indications appeared, means were employed to favor this state of feeling, and in the course of a few weeks some began to indulge hope in Christ. Since the middle of January the work has been steadily progressing, in a silent and solemn way. Though this revival may not afford much present pecuniary strength in supporting the institutions of religion, yet it will very much strengthen the cause of Christ in this place. The hopeful converts are chiefly from the most intelligent class of young people. They enter into the subject of religion in a very intelligent manner, and promise to be growing, active Christians."

14. HINGHAM.—A parsonage has been provided at a cost of \$3,300. Of this sum \$1,000 was subscribed by members of the Church and Society. The balance has been given, in part, by friends abroad, and in part, it remains unpaid. The pastor reports many cheering indications of a kindlier state of feeling towards himself and his flock among the other denominations of the town.

15. HOLLAND.—Mr. Grannis, who returned to the East from a Western mission some two years ago, on account of impaired health, found himself able to assume the care of this small and retired field last June. He reports increasing numbers and more wakeful attention, in the Sabbath congregations. He writes, "Some, I hope, have been led to serious reflections in reference to their eternal welfare; but there is an extreme worldliness all around us;" and also a lamentable laxity in keeping the Sabbath holy.

16. HOUSATONIC.—At the close of the first quarter Mr. Miller was called away; but the pulpit has been constantly supplied through the year,—and for the last six months without missionary aid. Instead of a regular statistical report from the missionary on the 1st of April, the Society's Treasurer sent this truly cheering word:—"I am much gratified to inform you that we are not under the necessity of drawing the last \$50 of the one hundred appropriated to this church; and we hope to get along through the ensuing year also without aid, if we succeed in obtaining the services of a young minister with whom we are negotiating."

17. LITTLETON.—This church for more than a year had been supplied by non-resident preachers, (and therefore had received no appropriation from the Missionary Society,) when Mr. Loomis was commissioned in October. In his first report he says, "The growth of fifteen years, since their organization,

has been almost consumed by deaths and removals. Yet there seems to exist the elements of moral power, and some manifestations of spiritual life and vigor, which indicate a good sound stock, and promise, with the divine blessing, one day to develop an activity of great and good influence on this community." At the time of his last report there was "a growing solemnity in the Sabbath congregations and in the week-day prayer meetings." One hopeful conversion had occurred, and others were confidently expected.

18. LONGMEADOW, *East*.—After five years of dependence on missionary aid, from 1831 to 1836, this church entered upon a career of self-support, in which it would have continued, had not sectarianism interposed. But the settlement of an efficient pastor, and the pledge of missionary aid in effecting that important object, has already "turned their captivity." The help was seasonable, and will soon be relinquished. On the 1st of April, Mr. Brown wrote, "The parish, since the secession, is small, but perfectly united, and the people have a mind to work."

19. LYNNFIELD, *Centre*.—As evidence of a growing attachment to their pastor—and to be reckoned, perhaps, among the fruits of the revival which was reported last year—the people have unanimously voted an increase of his salary. To encourage so laudable an effort, the Executive Committee have made a corresponding increase in their appropriation. The tendency of things in this community, both social and religious, is manifestly upward and onward.

20. MENDON.—In January, 1854, Rev. A. R. Mitchell was invited to labor a few Sabbaths in this "old waste." In May following, the Executive Committee, willing to make one more effort before utterly abandoning a field that seemed to yield no return, at the suggestion of the Harmony Conference, gave him a commission for one year. At the end of three months, however, finding little encouragement to continue, he yielded to a request from Iowa, and entered the Home Missionary service there. In October he was succeeded in Mendon by Mr. Doe, under whose ministry a revival of religion commenced, in which 15 or 20 converts were numbered, when the April report was made, and the work of grace was still in progress. "About half of the congregation, who were not members of the church before, are now indulging hope, and appear well."

21. MONTGOMERY.—"There are but 400 souls belonging to the town. These are divided into different sects,—a few Baptists, but mostly Methodists and Congregationalists. They are scattered over a large extent of territory on the top of a high mountain." In winter the attendance at the sanctuary is often very small, and evening prayer meetings quite impossible. The Congregationalists and Methodists meet harmoniously in one assembly on the Sabbath, each denomination providing their respective preachers on alternate days.

22. NEW SALEM.—A meeting-house was completed in August,—the first

that the society has owned or occupied during the seven years of its separate existence. "It is all that we could ask for," says the pastor, "and is pronounced beautiful by everybody who sees it." This is altogether the most important event that has yet been recorded in connection with this missionary station, and will inspire confidence in the cause. It is a monument, not only of persistent self-denial for the cause of Christ in the feeble band here, but also of Christian sympathy in all the neighboring churches, who came to their aid in building it.

23. ORANGE, *North*.—Rev. B. F. Clark, who had occupied this missionary field the previous year, was succeeded last spring by Mr. Lord, whose ministry commenced under flattering auspices. Affairs were peaceful and prosperous during the first quarter. Then a contention arose between the missionary and his flock, growing out of unwarrantable demands on his part, which were met by unyielding resistance on theirs; leading, at length, to a civil prosecution of four church members, on the charge of disturbing a church meeting, which ended in their entire acquittal. Meanwhile, the Executive Committee, learning the facts, and assuming that their office-work was to build up feeble churches,—not to pull them down,—and despairing of any good result from the continuance of the present incumbent, revoked his commission at the close of the second quarter. No one has since been employed, and the affrighted flock are for the present scattered into neighboring places of worship on the Sabbath.

24. PITTSFIELD, *2d Church*.—This is a congregation of our colored brethren, with an estimable and active colored pastor. The flock is respectable in numbers and character, but "poor in this world." Among the chief encouragements of the past year, the report specifies "the increased attention given to meetings, particularly prayer meetings," which are held from house to house. "I have lately been impressed," wrote the pastor, April 1, "with the necessity of putting forth special efforts for the conversion of souls, and am making arrangements for a series of meetings."

25. PRESCOTT.—No appropriation has been made here since our last report. Mr. Gilbert took a dismission at the end of four months from the date of his commission; and the balance of the appropriation has been drawn in payment of such other laborers as the church and society employed in completing the service of the year.

26. ROWE.—The pecuniary valuation of the society has fallen off more than one-third during the year, and the congregation one quarter, with no immediate prospect of an increase. The truth of Mr. Pomroy's remark will be readily appreciated, that "one of the greatest discouragements to a minister in these mountain towns, is the fact, that so many of the good people leave for some other place." Among the encouragements he refers to a growing liberality of sentiment towards himself and his flock in the minds of others. "I think," says he, "that there is much less prejudice against the orthodox, than when I came." As a hopeful and accommodating mea-

sure, "there is talk now of moving the meeting-house about a mile south, to the most business part of the town, where there is a fine water privilege, and a small village."

27. SHUTESBURY.—The missionary's scanty salary has been increased nearly one quarter. A proposal to that effect was made to the parish by the Executive Committee, when the application for aid was renewed, with a promise to assist in the effort. It was accepted; and by a special subscription of small sums, chiefly among the youth, the object was attained—to the great comfort of the minister, but to the greater good of the people.

28. SPRINGFIELD, *Indian Orchard*.—This is a new and hopeful station in a flourishing village lately sprung into being, about seven miles from the centre. Several years ago the foundations of a large manufacturing establishment were laid; but it is not yet a year since the mills were set in operation. In the spring of 1854, by the efforts of one individual residing on the spot, public worship was instituted, and a Sabbath school gathered, in a small school-house. Meanwhile, the Jenksville church, in Ludlow, only two miles off, was unable longer to sustain preaching without a much larger outlay of missionary funds than the prospects of the place would justify. In these circumstances they were advised to suspend for a time, and assist in this new enterprise; which some of them did. In September, a commodious hall having been fitted up, Mr. Cone was duly commissioned. The congregations are already as large as the hall will contain, and measures are about to be taken for the erection of a meeting-house.

29. STERLING.—In November, Mr. Lothrop accepted a call from another church; and no missionary aid has since been afforded, as no resident minister has since been employed, though the pulpit has been constantly supplied on the Sabbath. Up to the time of his departure the congregation was steadily increasing, and the church strengthening. In his last report he says, "The people have a willingness to do for themselves, and for objects of benevolence, according to their ability." A donation of more than \$30 was made to Home Missions, before Mr. Lothrop withdrew. The contributions to other objects are not reported in full.

30. STOCKBRIDGE, *Curtisville*.—On the first day of April, the missionary wrote, "When I rendered my report to the Parent Society, March 1, I could not speak of a single conversion. This was a sad thought to many of our church members, as I stated the fact at our last communion season. Since that time we have enjoyed a precious refreshing. The gentle dews have now descended in mercy, and we are looking for a more plentiful shower. Among those indulging hope are seven young men between the ages of 14 and 22. Two of these were employed as teachers during the winter." "When we consider the smallness of our congregation, how few young people we have, and that twelve of these, *the very best*, are hopefully converted, we feel that the Lord has done great things for us." "Formerly the society realized considerable aid in supporting the gospel, through the manu-

facturing interest in this place. The factories having been suspended for over a year, both our income, and our congregation, are necessarily reduced."

31. TAUNTON, *East*.—Mr. Cushing took the place of Mr. Richardson in May, 1854, and has happily succeeded in enlisting the sympathies of the people in himself and in his work,—the result, no doubt, of a manifest and sincere interest, on his part, in them. Hope predominates over all the discouragements that lie in his path, as the following extracts from his annual report plainly show. "True, there are some who say, 'Nothing can be done for *Squawbetty*.' I don't believe a word of it yet, although it may prove so in the end. True, also, that this is a very wicked place; but no more so than any other equally neglected spot. Underneath all that is so painful to the eye of sincere piety, there lies a vein of intrinsic worth in our young men, which cannot be contemplated without awakening a deep and intense desire, and hope too, for their instruction in righteousness. I am very sure I could do better, that is, find a more eligible place, should I leave this. But I *cannot* leave, except from necessity. I cannot give it up. I believe God has a people here yet to be gathered." Some disappointment has been experienced in their expectation of building a house of worship about this time. But it is greatly alleviated by the fact that they can have the *exclusive and free use of the chapel*, where they have hitherto worshipped.

32. TISBURY, *Holmes's Hole*.—This feeble society, with no increase of pecuniary means, have generously added \$50 to their minister's salary, in consideration of which the Executive Committee have pledged the same amount of aid for the current year, that was afforded the year preceding.

33. WARWICK.—The meeting-house has been remodeled and improved, at a cost of \$500, and God has since hallowed it by his special presence. "Soon after the re-opening of our church edifice in October," writes the missionary, "a gentle shower of grace commenced. The result so far (April 1) is not *striking*; but last Sabbath I received twelve into the church by profession, and one by letter. Several more are expected soon. I think we shall quite surely be increased by twenty in all; and may that God who seems to be still working, add many, *many* more. The band of disciples here," continues the report, "are doing heroically. If there is a church in any part of the country more worthy of your assistance, I know not of it." Mr. Bridge has received a unanimous call to the pastoral office, and it is hoped will accept.

34. WASHINGTON.—"It is with us," writes the pastor, "a day and a place of small things. I can say, however, that in some respects we are making progress. The Sabbath congregations are on the increase. There is also an increased attention to the word preached, and more willingness to subscribe liberally for its support." The long-continued absence of the Spirit's influence, is the greatest discouragement brought to view in the report.

35. WEST ROXBURY, *Jamaica Plain*.—In consequence of the heavy burden assumed by this infant society in their efforts to erect a church edifice, the aid of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society has been pledged another year, which might else have been discontinued when the last commission expired. The chapel, adjoining the church, is completed, and has been occupied for Sabbath service since September. The interior of the meeting-house is yet unfinished; but the present want of more room than the chapel affords, acts as a constant stimulus, and is now urging the society on in strenuous endeavors to finish it. It will be seen by inspecting the table of statistics, that the accessions to this church during the past year, have been larger than to any other on the list.

36. WOBURN, *North*.—"I have no accessions to speak of," says the pastor, "either to the church or the society, but only diminutions, both in numbers and resources." The Committee regret to learn, that a disquiet state of feeling, on the part of a few members, has at length induced Mr. Dole to take the incipient steps leading towards a dissolution of the pastoral relation.

37. WRENTHAM, *North*.—Darkness and daylight have succeeded each other in the history of this church and society during the past twelve months. One year ago, it was confidently predicted that they would have achieved their independence before this time. Six months since, the ministry of Mr. Dwight was on the point of terminating, through inadequacy of means to sustain him, even with the aid of the Missionary Society. Two months ago a most encouraging resuscitation was experienced, and a more determined purpose evinced to support the ministry than has ever before been witnessed. The *continuance* of this purpose will be more effective in lifting them out of embarrassment, than the continued help of this society.

38. YARMOUTH, *West*.—"A parsonage has been built and paid for, all from their own resources, with the exception of \$35. The meeting-house has been thoroughly renovated inside and out. And yet the society have pledged as large a proportion of the salary as in past years. The amount raised for all religious and parochial purposes, within the last twelve months, falls a little short of \$2,000." This is a great advance onward, and betokens a speedy deliverance from a state of long-continued dependence on missionary aid.

### Summary.

The whole number of churches that have received assistance from this Society the past year, is 38. Out of 469 Orthodox Congregational churches in Massachusetts, only 38 are now leaning on the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society for support; which is about 8 per cent. Sixteen years ago, when we numbered only 375 in all, 80 of them, or about 21 per cent, were unable to stand without this staff. Thus is the Lord "sending us help from the sanctuary, and strengthening us

out of Zion ; remembering all our offerings and accepting our burnt-sacrifice ; granting us according to our own heart, and fulfilling all our counsel." And it would but express the sentiment of every Christian heart among us, in view of these facts, to proceed with the quotation one verse farther,—"*We will rejoice in thy salvation, and in the name of our God will we set up our banners.*"

Connected with these 38 churches are 1,540 members ; of which 97 were added during the year, viz., 46 by profession, and 51 by letter. These are generally located in communities which, without them, would turn into moral deserts ; while through their influence, nearly four thousand souls are gathered into the sanctuary every Sabbath, and more than half that number into the Sabbath school, out of the 1,094 families, which the missionaries report as under their charge.

The pastoral office is now vacant in 17 of our mission churches, though the pulpits are steadily supplied, and have been through the year, by resident ministers, with one or two exceptions. Only two pastors have been dismissed, and two have been settled since the last Report was made.

At five or six of the stations there has been manifest an unusual religious interest—a *revival* ; and the whole number of converts reported is nearly 100. In most of these places the work is of recent origin, and was still in progress when the annual returns were made on the 1st of April ; while favorable indications were apparent in several others.

The various objects of Christian benevolence have received attention from most of the congregations ; though in consequence of "hard times," and proportionably hard struggles to meet their own increased expenses, there has been some falling off in the amount of contributions. Twenty-seven missionaries report \$1,290 04 collected for all charitable purposes, of which \$448 87 were for Home Missions. If the others have given in proportion, the whole amount exceeds \$1,800, or about one-third as much as they have received. But it is known that several of the congregations have contributed *nothing to any object of charity whatever*,—a fact which the Executive Committee are constrained to set down among the *causes*, rather than the *effects*, of their protracted weakness. "There is that withholdeth more than is meet, and it tendeth to poverty."

One meeting-house has been built, one has been bought, another is in a process of erection, and two have been thoroughly repaired. Two parsonages have also been provided. The aggregate of these expenditures, which have nearly all been paid, exceeds \$12,000, or more than double the amount that all these mission churches have



drawn from our treasury during the year ; and this in addition to the payment of one per cent on their taxable property in support of preaching. It is by encouraging and calling forth such efforts as these, on the part of the people themselves who ask for help, that this, or any other kindred society, accomplishes its aim. And if they can be persuaded to make the requisite effort, without relying on the help of others, so much the better for them ; as could be shown by citing cases which the Committee, by patient and appropriate labors, have been able to dispose of in this way. Instead of exhausting, it invigorates ; and, more important still, it nourishes the feeling of self-reliance, just as help, too easily obtained, destroys it. In sections of the State where the Committee can carry out these views unrestrained, there the earliest and best fruits of Home Missions are seen.

#### **Increase of Missionary Salaries.**

Although the Executive Committee have no voice in determining what salaries shall be paid to the missionary pastors—and evidently *ought* to have none—still, as the appropriations which they make from year to year are designed to go toward the payment of the salary which the parish and the pastor have mutually agreed upon, they cannot be unobservant of that agreement ; and may properly tender their advice, where the home missionary interest seems to require it. In this day of “high prices,” when so many pastors are either receiving an increased salary, or leaving their flocks for want of it, the poor missionary may be supposed to feel the pressure as deeply as any. And unless his people enlarge their liberality, or the Missionary Society their appropriation, he too must abandon his field. Almost always the first view which he and his flock take, is, that it belongs to the Missionary Society to make this increase ; forgetting that, without a corresponding increase of funds in the treasury, this would simply be taking away from one poor missionary to give to another, or withholding all aid from one feeble church, that another may be better supplied ; forgetting, too, that in the rural districts, where most of our mission churches are located, the high prices which the people pay, are often more than counterbalanced by the high prices which they receive. After much consultation and correspondence, the Committee at length decided to encourage the increase of inadequate salaries, by offering to pay a proportional part of the addition ; that where the present appropriation amounts to one-quarter, or one-third of the stipulated salary, they would give one-quarter, or one-third, of the addition, which the parish were disposed to make. In a number of instances this offer has been accepted ; so that the average salary is now \$490,

which last year was \$452; and the average amount appropriated to each church has risen, during the same time, from \$130 to \$140. Still there are some missionaries who cannot much longer remain where they are, on the pittance they receive; and while the Committee deeply sympathize with them, they can no more be held responsible for their removal, than for the thirty-five other dismissals that have taken place around them during the year, mostly for the same cause.

#### Moral Desolations in Massachusetts.

Lest the patrons of this Society should infer from the hopeful and progressive aspect of the churches, as set forth in the sketches here drawn, that the work of a Home Missionary in Massachusetts is light, and success easy, we select from their quarterly reports a few facts to show what mighty obstacles have to be overcome in making this progress.

A missionary writing from a station recently occupied, says, in his first quarterly report:—"I have not yet been able to make so thorough an exploration of the field as I desire and intend; but I have done enough to discover a mournful desolation, and to call forth the frequent exclamation of the Prophet, 'O that my head were waters, and mine eyes a fountain of tears, that I might weep day and night for the slain of the daughter of my people.' Every look I take, and from whatever point of observation, only serves to increase the magnitude of the work to be done, and the importance of doing it without delay. The field is a hard one; but no more hard than important. It is fitly represented by the 'field of the slothful, and the vineyard of the man void of understanding. Lo, it is all grown over with thorns, and thistles have covered the face thereof; and the stone walls thereof are broken down.' Almost every error which has been baptized into the name of our holy religion, finds believers and advocates here. Within the radius of a mile and a half from our place of worship there cannot be less than a thousand inhabitants; and not more than two hundred of these attend meeting any where on the Sabbath. True, indeed, nearly one half of them are foreigners; but for this very reason there is the more need that our home-born sons and daughters be the more strict in the observance of God's holy day. But such shameless desecration of the Sabbath I had not conceived of as any where to be found in New England. And that it should be so on ground rendered almost sacred by having been so early trodden by the feet of the Sabbath-keeping Pilgrims, makes it the more painful to contemplate, and the more desirable to have it redeemed at almost any cost. But notwithstanding all these drawbacks, there are encour-

agements. God and truth are on our side, and *He* is 'able of these stones to raise up children unto Abraham.' One thing is clear; the gospel must be carried literally from house to house among these families, or they will perish."

In regard to Sabbath desecration, another missionary, located in a retired rural spot, where scarcely a foreigner has yet found his way, writes thus:—"We see almost every Sabbath numbers of young people out on pleasure excursions. They usually come from the factory villages in towns around us. Their influence is contagious, and induces the youth in our farming families to follow their pernicious ways. Our good landlady near us is under the necessity, as she claims, of staying away from meeting on the Sabbath to wait on company. It proves a very profitable day, in a pecuniary point,—'day of all the week the best.' I took occasion not long ago to preach on the subject of Sabbath desecration; and on returning home from the afternoon service, saw one of our wealthiest men loading his cart with oats which he had the day before bound up. He was not the only man who gathered in his oats on that day. They think me rather verging towards superstition and Puritanism."

"The greatest obstacle here," writes another, "is infidelity, disseminated under the guise of *spiritualism*. The credulity of infidelity is truly astonishing. From the bold avowal of the doctrine of *no spirit*, it leaps to the conclusion that legions dwell in every old rickety chair, table, or whatever else they are pleased to lay their hands upon. The crowning sin of Saul's rebellion—consulting women with familiar spirits—is very prevalent among us, and greatly hinders the gospel."

Now, although such immoralities and isms are not peculiar to missionary localities, yet do they find there a congenial soil, as briars and thorns do in the unploughed corners of a field. Whether we regard them as the cause, or the effect, of moral desolation,—whether they spring from a neglect of religious culture, or are the occasion of that neglect,—the process of recovery is hard, and ordinarily slow; requiring much patient toil and divine help. The ordinary work of a parish minister in New England, is to build up the walls which others have begun. But in these places the foundations are to be laid; and not only so, but the rubbish of ages must be removed before the first stone can be placed. Yet amid all these discouragements, and *over* all these obstacles, many of our most efficient churches have *risen*, and others are rising, under the noiseless and unnoticed labors of Home Missionaries.

#### The Field at Large.

In louder and more affecting tones than ever before, the Macedonian cry comes from the valley of the Mississippi and the shores of the

Pacific; and since the last Anniversary a larger force has been sent in reply to that call. But the increase has been less than was anticipated at the opening of the year; far less than is earnestly solicited by the destitute multitudes there perishing for lack of vision; incomparably less than the clear demands of Providence. Indeed, the falling off of receipts in the treasury of the American Home Missionary Society to the amount of over \$11,000, as compared with those of the previous year, has compelled that Society to make whatever advance it has made in those new and needy sections of the field, by transferring laborers from the older and better supplied portions. This policy must commend itself to all who have sufficient breadth of mind to embrace our whole country in the grasp of their benevolence, and not merely their own state, or county, or conference of churches. But the *necessity* of adopting such a policy is a sad fact to record at this stage of our Home Missionary work. Is this the time to take a backward step, after all that God has done and is now doing to open our way and encourage our hopes? No. It is like the children of Israel disheartened after tasting the clusters of Eshcol, and turning back on a forty years' march in the wilderness after having come almost to the promised land. It is like the husbandman who should till his fields through all the spring and summer, and then sluggishly give up the golden harvest to be wasted by the winds of autumn, or buried beneath the snows of winter. Look at the triumphs which have been achieved through the agency of Home Missions all over New England and throughout the great West. Look at the doors continually opening for still greater achievements on the distant shores of the Pacific. Look at those vast interior solitudes, fifty times as large as Massachusetts in geographical extent, suddenly resounding with the tread of coming multitudes, rushing forward with intense earnestness, as if to another battle of Waterloo—which, in a moral point of view, is unquestionably at hand, and will be decided by the moral forces that are brought into the field within a very short time. In these pressing circumstances, with these exciting prospects before us, who can think of a retrogressive movement without pain? Who can be willing that a year should come to a close without recording some marked progress, when in answer to every prayer put up to Heaven, there comes back the response of God to Moses, with ever deepening emphasis, "*Wherefore criest thou unto me? Speak to the children of Israel THAT THEY GO FORWARD.*"

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr.	The Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in account with Benjamin Perkins, Treasurer.		Cr.
To cash paid Missionaries the past year, . . .	\$4,901 67	By balance last year, . . .	\$1,499 41
" " American Home Missionary Society, . .	31,000 00	" Contributions and Legacies, . . .	37,592 16
" " Salaries, traveling expenses and incidentals, . . .	1,289 32	" Income from Fund, . . .	816 30
" " A. B. C. F. M. from Mrs. Osborne's Fund, . . .	77 00	" Income from Mrs. Osborne's Fund, . . .	77 00
" " Carried to account of Fund, . . .	500 00	" Payment on Mortgage, . . .	200 00
Balance to new account, . . .	2,416 88		
	<u>\$40,194 87</u>		<u>\$40,184 87</u>

BOSTON, May 15, 1855.

BENJAMIN PERKINS, TREASURER.

BOSTON, MAY 26, 1855. In the absence of the Auditor, GEORGE ROBBINS, Esq., I have examined the above account of the Treasurer of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, at his request, and find the same correctly cast and well vouched.

JULIUS A. PALMER.

NOTE.—In addition to the foregoing receipts, \$9,695 96, in the form of donations, contributions, and legacies, have been forwarded to the American Home Missionary Society from different parts of the State, which are not included in this Report, because they did not pass through this Treasury.

## DONATIONS,

From May 15, 1854, to May 15, 1855.

<i>Amherst</i> , 1st parish,	\$20 00
Do. Gent. and Ladies' Benev. Soc., §60 of wh. from E. Dickinson, Esq., to const. Emily C. and Lavinia N. Dickinson L. M., and §30 from L. Sweetser, Esq. to const. Linus Green L. M.	244 72
Prof. J. Haven,	10 00
Mrs. Elizabeth Haven,	50 00
North, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	48 69
South, Rev. Mr. Merrick's Soc. to const. Dea. Joseph Dana and Mr. Charles F. Hayward L. M.	60 00
Rev. M. K. Cross,	5 00
<i>Abington</i> , South, Cong. Soc. mon. conc.	19 00
<i>Attleboro'</i> , Fem. Benev. Soc. to const. Miss Lauritta Sweet L. M.	39 56
Rev. Mr. Morley's Soc.	57 77
Ladies' Sewing Circle, 2d Cong. Soc.	30 00
Legacy of Prudence Draper,	50 00
<i>Abington</i> , Legacy of Edward Cobb, in part,	250 00
Rev. Mr. Walker's Soc.	24 00
<i>Ashburnham</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	8 00
<i>Ashby</i> , Ladies' Cent Soc. to const. Miss Mary Brooks L. M.	32 00
<i>Andover</i> , Soc. Inquiry Phillips Academy, to const. Gilbert O. Fay, Medway, and Francis Lobdell, Brookfield, Ct. L. M.	60 00
Old South Ch. and Soc.	114 40
North, Rev. Mr. Briggs's Soc. to const. Dea. Stephen H. Parker and Ralph H. Chandler L. M.	79 23
<i>Amesbury and Salisbury</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	30 00
West, Ladies' Social Circle,	19 00
<i>Ashby</i> , Cong. Soc. to const. Mr. Joseph W. Woods L. M.	30 00
<i>Acton</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	8 00
<i>Athol</i> , Mrs. H. Sweetser, to const. Mrs. James Goldsbury L. M.	30 00
<i>Boston</i> , A Friend, §10, §10,	20 00
Dea. N. Willis, to const. him L. M.	30 00
A Friend, by Mr. Wilder,	2 00
do. John Tappan, Esq.	10 00
Mrs. Hannah Wood,	5 00
A Friend,	10 00
Old South Ch. and Soc. Annual Cont.	980 00
Mount Vernon do. do.	1,557 51
Park Street do. do.	839 25
Maverick, do. do.	61 43
Salem Street do. do.	104 00
Pine Street do. do.	166 87
Bowdoin Street do. do.	726 00
Phillips do. do.	339 87
Shawmut do. do.	256 00
do. do. do. one-half avails mon. conc.	27 91
Essex St. do. do.	1,601 58
Central do. do.	629 70
<i>Billerica</i> , Rev. J. G. D. Stearns,	10 00
Rev. Mr. Stearns's Soc. mon. conc. to const. him L. M.	30 00
<i>Barnstable</i> , West, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	10 00
<i>Bertin</i> , A Friend,	5 00
<i>Brookfield Mutual Assistance Soc.</i> S. M. Lane, Tr.	
Brookfield, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	57 09
Oakham, in full to const. William Lincoln, Charles Haskell, and Horatio B. Lincoln L. M.	55 00
Dana, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	5 00
New Braintree, do.	77 78
Hardwick, Cong. Soc. to const. Mrs. Mary C. Marsh L. M.	49 25
Collection at Conference,	11 75—255 87

<i>Braintree, Ladies' H. M. Soc.</i> 1st parish, to const. Mrs. Harriet French, and Mrs. Eunice H. Arnold L. M.	\$71 00
A Friend,	30 00
Dr. Storr's Soc. quarterly coll. §18, §22, §26,	66 00
do. do. mon. conc.	62 00
Legacy of Levi Thayer, dec'd, by Amasa and Levi Thayer, Ex'rs,	200 00
<i>Beverly, Washington St. Soc.</i> to const. Mrs. A. B. Rich, Mrs. B. T. Ober and Miss Betsey Lee L. M.	100 00
Dane St. Church, §76 09, §18 25,	94 34
do. do. a Friend,	30 00
<i>Bedford, Trinitarian Cong. Soc.</i> mon. conc. §19 54; Fem. Chur. Soc. §6,	25 54
<i>Berkshire and Columbia H. M. Soc.,</i> L. Church, Tr.—§200; 200; 225; 200; 200;	1,235 00
210,	10 00
<i>Brookline, Mrs. Sarah Crafts,</i> in full to const. her L. M.	151 00
Harvard Ch. and Soc.	4 25
do. do. class in Sab. school,	100 00
<i>Brookfield, North, 1st Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i> §23; §77,	400 00
<i>Brookfield, West, Legacy of Moses Barnes, B. Ellis, Ex'r,</i>	20 00
Mrs. Susan Ellis,	30 00
Franklin B. Gammon to const. him L. M.	61 50
Cong. Ch. and Soc. in full, to const. Rev. Swift Byington L. D.	60 00
<i>Bridgewater, North, Porter Soc.</i> to const. Geo. B. Dunbar and Isaac Kingman L. M.	14 72
East and West Union Ch. and Soc.	70 00
<i>Belchertown, Female Benev. Asso.</i>	83 63
<i>Brighton, Evan. Cong. Soc.</i>	80 00
<i>Bradford, Young Ladies of the Academy,</i> to const. Miss R. J. Gilman L. M.	75 00
<i>Brimfield, Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	34 00
<i>Burlington, Ladies' Miss. Soc.</i> §22; mon. conc. §12,	4 60
<i>Byfield, Rev. Mr. Tenney's Soc.</i>	100 00
<i>Cambridge, Ladies' Sew. Circle, Shepard Ch.</i>	193 08
Shepard Ch. coll. §160 26; mon. conc. §32 82,	193 07
Rev. Dr. Stearns's Soc.	5 00
Miss Elizabeth Farlow,	19 15
East, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	14 49
<i>Charlton, Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	48 31
<i>Chelsea, Broadway Ch. and Soc.</i>	190 43
Winnisimmet Ch. and Soc.	68 75
<i>Clinton, Evang. Ch. and Soc.</i>	378 94
<i>Charlestown, Winthrop Ch. and Soc.</i>	162 00
1st Ch. and Soc.	15 00
<i>Curtisville, Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	5 00
<i>Conway, N. H. Mrs. Dorcas H. Merrill,</i>	20 00
<i>Canton, Orthodox Ch. and Soc.</i>	5 00
<i>Cohasset, A Friend,</i>	352 07
<i>Chelmsford, Legacy of Mrs. Elizabeth Baldwin,</i> by J. B. Varnum, Ex'r,	10 00
<i>Charlemont, 1st Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	2 00
<i>Carver, North, Ezra Lucas,</i>	33 30
<i>Concord, Rev. Mr. Angier's Soc.</i>	198 14
<i>Dorchester, Ladies' H. M. Soc.</i> 2d parish, to const. Mrs. Thomas Tremlett and Mrs. Lydia Capen L. M.	305 35
2d Parish, §40 of wh. from T. D. Quincy, to const. Mrs. Nancy N. Perry L. M.; §30 from Mrs. A. A. Quincy, to const. Albert Q. Perry L. M.; §30 from James Clap, to const. Mrs. Joseph H. Clap L. M.; §30 to const. Miss Sarah F. Johnson L. M.	43 50
Neponset H. M. Circle,	167 52
do. Ladies' H. M. Soc.	20 00
<i>Dracut, West, Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	1 00
<i>Dover, Miss Julia Dodge,</i>	8 00
Cong. Ch. and Soc.	53 75
<i>Danvers, Ladies' H. M. Soc.</i> 3d Ch.	241 14
2d Cong. Ch. and Soc. W. Walcott, Tr.	23 00
<i>Dedham, Rev. Mr. Colburn's Soc.</i>	100 00
Mrs. A. Burgess,	53 00
Rev. Dr. Burgess's Soc.	50 00
do. do. Female H. M. Soc.	23 00
South Cong. Ch. and Soc.	50 00
<i>Dartmouth, South, Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	37 45
<i>Dennis, South, Rev. Mr. Thacher's Soc.</i>	64 75
<i>Dudley, 1st Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i> to const. Rev. Henry Pratt L. M.	3 00
<i>Detroit, Mich., Miss Mary M. Curtiss,</i>	

<i>Essex</i> , Rev. Dr. Crowell's Soc.	\$45 00
<i>East Douglas</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	104 00
<i>Essex North Aux. Soc.</i> —J. Caldwell, Tr. Conf. of Churches coll. \$54; Bradford, 1st Cong. Ch. and Soc. \$156 50, Rev. Mr. Thompson's Soc. Amesbury, coll. \$89 43; mon. conc. \$40; to const. Frederick Nichols, Alfred Nichols, Stephen Sargeant, and Joshua Currier L. M.	210 50 129 43
<i>East Medway</i> , 1st Ch. and Soc. to const. Mrs. J. O. Means and Mrs. Elisha A. Jones L. M.	79 62
<i>Easthampton</i> , Payson Church, Samuel Williston, Esq.	127 31 150 00
<i>Enfield</i> , Benevolent Soc. to const. Mrs. Mary Trask L. M.	500 00
<i>Fall River</i> , Central Ch. and Soc. to const. Dr. N. Durfee L. D.; Dea. J. A. Crane L. M.	274 28
Young Ladies' Sew. Circ. in Rev. Mr. Thurston's Soc.	150 00
<i>Fairhaven</i> , Bal. of cont. in Rev. Mr. Roberts's Soc.	10 00
<i>Foxboro'</i> , Young Ladies' Sew. Circle to const. Nath. F. Shepard L. M.	38 62
<i>Fitchburg</i> , Calvinistic Cong. Soc. to const. Mrs. J. Stearns, Mrs. H. E. Sawyer, Mrs. Joseph Lamb, Mrs. T. Harris, Albert B. Damon and Daniel S. Eaton L. M.	225 05
Do. Sew. Circle, to const. Mrs. Amanda Estabrook, Mrs. Mary S. Haskell, Mrs. Mary J. Willcox and Mrs. Elizabeth Haywood L. M.	135 00
<i>Framingham</i> , Hollis Evan. Soc. to const. Mrs. Mary E. Esty and Mrs. J. C. Bod- well L. M.	108 00
<i>Foxboro'</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Rev. Edmund Y. Garrette and Dea. D. L. Hewins L. M.	67 00
<i>Franklin Co. H. M. Soc.</i> —S. S. Eastman, Tr. Deerfield Orthodox Soc. \$27 68; Montague, 1st Cong. Soc. \$35 63; mon. conc. \$3 76; Greenfield, 1st Cong. Soc. \$26 75; Shelburne, Ladies' Benev. Asso. \$24 48; Gents. do. \$31 68; Buckland, Cong. Soc. to const. Rev. Asa B. Smith L. M. \$45 74; Deerfield, A. Williams, \$1, Sunderland, Cong. Soc. \$100; Greenfield, 2d Cong. Soc. to const. Rev. James G. Vose L. D. \$102 10,	196 72 202 10
<i>Franklin</i> , Cong. Soc.	23 56
Ladies' North Benev. Soc.	25 00
<i>Falmouth</i> , 2d Cong. Soc. \$16 51; Rev. H. Pratt, \$4; a Friend, \$1, Rev. Mr. Hooker's Soc.	21 61 100 00
<i>North</i> , Cong. Soc. mon. conc.	11 00
do. do. collection;	12 00
do. Legacy of Mrs Elizabeth Mitchell,	200 00
<i>Franklin Co. H. M. Soc.</i> —Charlemont, Gent.'s Asso. \$9 50; Shelburne Falls, \$25 05; Warwick, Cong. Soc. to const. Rev. H. M. Bridge L. M. \$36; Orange, Cong. Soc. to const. Rev. David Peck L. M. \$31 40; South Deerfield, to const. Francis Billings L. M. \$30; Heath, Cong. Soc. \$6 54; Gill, to const. Rev. E. F. Brooks L. M. \$30; Hawley, Samuel Williams, \$2; Shutesbury, Cong. Soc. \$6; Charlemont, a friend, \$1; Bernardston, Orthodox Soc. \$23 87; Sunderland, Cong. Soc. to const. Mrs. Eliphalet Clark, Thaddeus Parmenter and Apollos Saunderson L. M. \$90,	291 36
<i>Granville</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. \$49 48; \$38 43,	87 91
<i>Georgetown</i> , Rev. Mr. Prince's Soc.	56 00
<i>General Assoc. of Mass.</i> , meeting at Fall River,	38 25
<i>Gloucester</i> , Ladies' Home Miss. Soc.	17 00
North Church,	4 60
Evang. Cong. Soc. to const. Rev. J. L. Hatch L. M.	33 00
<i>Hadley</i> , General Benev. Soc.	40 00
do. do. 3d Ch. \$6; do. \$42,	48 00
North Benev. Soc.	31 00
<i>Holliston</i> , A Friend, to const. David S. Partridge and George J. Partridge L. M. Rev. Mr. Tucker's Soc. to const. D. Bucklin Fitts, Dea. Timothy Walker and Dea. Timothy Daniels L. M.	60 00 96 50
<i>Haverhill</i> , Cong. Soc. by Mr. David Marsh, to const. Miss Sarah W. Kelley, David M. Kelley Miss Eliza B. Marsh, Jairus Marsh, Samuel Marsh, 2d, and Nathaniel Marsh, Jr. L. M.	180 00
Centre Ch. and Soc. to const. Mrs. S. W. A. Fitts, Miss Anna W. Salton- stall, Miss Susan A. Perley and Miss Catharine C. Chase L. M.	148 81
<i>East</i> , Rev. Mr. Lewis's Soc.	21 00
<i>Hopkinton</i> , Ladies' Miss. Soc.	20 00
Legacy of Benjamin Pond, by B. Pond, Ex'r, to const. Alfred Pond and Daniel F. Pond L. M.	60 00
1st Cong. Ch. and Soc.	19 00



<i>Hingham</i> , Rev. Mr. Dyer's Soc. \$5 50; \$10,	\$15 80
<i>Holden</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. \$48; \$45 50,	96 80
On account of Legacy of Mrs. M. Hubbard,	21 33
<i>Halifax</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	15 00
<i>Hampden Co. H. M. Soc.</i> —H. Brewer, Jr. Tr., including \$30 from Ladies' Sew. Soc. Blandford, to const. Miss Eliza Ellis L. M.; \$100 from Charles Merriam, Springfield, to const. Henry Brewer, Jr. L. D.; \$60 from Ladies' Benev. Soc. North Wilbraham, to const. Mrs. Mary Holman and Mrs. Marana Atchinson L. M.; \$30 to const. Mrs. Julia E. Wright, Chicopee, L. M.	825 00
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 Newton, Mrs Otis, Westboro'  
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 Nichols, Frederick, do  
 \*Nichols, Rev George, Chicopee  
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 Nickerson, Miss Susan H., Tewksbury  
 Nichols, Edmund, Sturbridge  
 Niles, Mrs, Marblehead  
 Norcross, Miss Olive C., South Reading  
 Northrup, Rev B. G., Saxtonville  
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 Northrup, Henry M., do  
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 Northum, Miss Eliza, Greenwich  
 Norton, Rev C. H., No. Becket  
 Noyes, Rev D. T., Dorchester  
 Noyes, Mrs D. T., do  
 Noyes, William F., Waltham  
 Oliphant, Rev D., Plaistow, N. H.  
 Orcutt, Rev John, Uxbridge  
 Orcutt, Mrs Francis L., do  
 Ordway, Mrs Martha, Fitchburg  
 Osborne, Abraham, do  
 Osgood, Samuel, D. D., Springfield  
 Packard, Rev A. K., Yarmouth  
 Packard, Rev Charles, Cambridge  
 Packard, Miss Mary Ann, Shelburne  
 Packard, Miss D., Enfield  
 Packard, Rev Theophilus, Jr., Shelburne  
 Packard, Mrs Mary, do  
 Packard, Z., Abington  
 Page, Rev Jesse, Atkinson, N. H.  
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 Page, Major, Westminster  
 Paine, Rev Albert, Amesbury  
 Paine, Rev John C., Gardner  
 Paine, Levi, Randolph  
 Paine, Mrs Sarah S., Amesbury  
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 Palmer, Elijah F., Boston  
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 \*Parish, Elijah, D. D., Byfield  
 \*Park, Calvin, D. D., Stoughton  
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 \*Park, Rev Jason, Southbridge  
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 Parker, Harrison, Winchester  
 Parker, Mrs Harriet, do  
 Parker, Jesse, Plaistow, N. H.  
 Parker, Mrs Mary, Newburyport  
 Parker, Stephen H., North Andover  
 Parker, Miss Susan, Reading  
 Parkhurst, B., Dunstable  
 Parkhurst, C. F. W., Ashland  
 Parlin, Mrs Rebecca, Natick  
 Farmer, Thaddeus, Sunderland  
 Partridge, C., Madway  
 Partridge, David E., Holliston  
 Partridge, George I., do  
 Partridge, Joseph, do  
 Partridge, Warren, Boston  
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 Patrick, Mrs A. D., do  
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 Pearson, Moody, do  
 Pearson, Mrs Nancy, Waltham  
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 Pearson, Miss Sally, do  
 Peck, Albert, Shelburne  
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 Peiros, Isaac F., Whitesville  
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 Pike, Joseph T., Newburyport  
 Pike, Samuel F., do  
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 Proctor, Miss H. S., do  
 Prouditt, Rev John  
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 Putnam, Rev R. A., Chicopee, N. H.  
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 Farwell, Stephen T., Cambridge  
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 Fisher, Milton M., Medway  
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 Fish, Samuel, do  
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 \*Fiske, Rev Eliza, Wrentham  
 \*Fiske, John, D. D., New Braintree  
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 Fletcher, Rev James, Danvers  
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 Fletcher, Mark, Dunstable  
 Fletcher, Samuel, Whitinsville  
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 Forbush, Mrs Sarah, Shelburne  
 Ford, Miss Mary C., Pembroke  
 Ford, T. A., North Bridgewater  
 Forgate, Luke, Berlin  
 Foster, Rev A. B., Petersham  
 Foster, Miss C. D., Dorchester  
 Foster, John, Andover  
 Foster, Mrs Hannah, do  
 Foster, W. Phillips, do  
 Fowler, John, Manchester  
 Fox, Charles J., Newburyport  
 Francis, Mrs Mary, Boston  
 Freeland, Mrs Anna A., Hopkinton  
 Freeman, Mrs Dolly P., Mattapoisett  
 French, Mrs Catharine L., Braintree  
 French, Daniel, Waltham  
 French, Mrs Harriet, Braintree  
 French, Josiah, Newburyport  
 French, Mrs Sarah, Braintree  
 French, Mrs Sarah H., do  
 Friend, Miss Juliet, Wrenham  
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 Frothingham, James, do  
 Frothingham, Joseph  
 Frost, Mrs Ann, Fitchburg  
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 Gale, Rev W., Rockport  
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 Gardner, Mrs B., Enfield  
 Garfield, Mrs Harriet W., Fitchburg  
 Gay, Rev Ebenezer, Bridgewater  
 Gay, Rev Samuel, Hubbardston  
 Gaylord, Eleazer, Amherst  
 Gilbert, George H., Ware  
 Gilbert, E. J., do  
 Gilbert, Rev W. H., Ashfield  
 \*Gile, Samuel, D. D., Milton  
 Giles, Thomas, Gloucester  
 Gilman, Mrs R. J., Bradford  
 Gleason, Russell T., Warren  
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 Goddard, Parley, Worcester  
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 Goodrich, Mrs Sarah L., Cambridgeport  
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 Goodyear, Rev G., Royalton  
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 Gould, Samuel, South Reading  
 Graves, Elnathan, Williamsburg  
 Graves, S. Williston, East Hampton  
 Gray, Henry, Boston  
 Gray, Mrs Simon, Templeton  
 Green, Isaac S. H., Sunderland  
 Green, Mrs Sally, Stoneham  
 \*Green, Rev Samuel, Boston  
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 Greene, Miss Sarah T., Marblehead  
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 Greenleaf, Miss M. E., Newburyport  
 Greenleaf, Mrs Mary, do  
 Greenwood, Mrs Abel, Hopkinton  
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 Griggs, Rev Leverett, Millbury  
 Griswold, Miss Roxanna, Buckland  
 Grosvenor, Rev Charles F., Rehoboth  
 Grosvenor, Rev D. A., Elyria, O.  
 Groves, John L., Sunderland  
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 Hanks, Mrs William, Enfield  
 Hanks, J., Jr., do  
 Harding, Mrs J. W., Longmeadow  
 Harding, Rev Sewall, Newton  
 Harlow, Alden, Marshfield  
 Harlow, Branch, Middleboro'  
 Harlow, Daniel, Plymouth  
 Harrington, Mrs Levi, Rochester  
 Harrington, William, Lunenburg  
 Harris, John M., Fitchburg  
 Harris, Mrs T., do  
 Harris, Rufus, Mendon  
 Hartwell, Joseph, Ware

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 Stevens, Mrs Elizabeth, Stoneham  
 Stevens, Miss Hannah, do  
 Stevens, Mrs M. J. G., Stoneham  
 Stickney, Mrs Annot, Amesbury  
 Stickney, Mrs Jane, do  
 Stockbridge, Mrs Abigail, North Hadley  
 Stockwell, Leonard, Grafton  
 Stone, Albert, do  
 Stone, Rev Cyrus, Boston  
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 Stone, Levi, Greenfield  
 Stone, Luther, East Douglas  
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 Stone, Rev T. D. F., Westboro'  
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 Strong, Lewis, Northampton  
 Styles, Phineas, Warwick  
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 Sumner, John, do  
 Swan, Joseph C., Sunderland  
 \*Swan, Mrs Ruth, Dorchester  
 Swallow, Rev J. E., Wilmington  
 Swallow, Joseph, Dunstable  
 Sweet, Joseph, Shelburne  
 Sweet, Miss Laurita, Attleboro'  
 Sweetser, Howard, Amherst  
 Sweetser, Miss Sally, Newburyport  
 Sweetser, Mrs Sarah A., Stoneham  
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 Taylor, Isaac, do  
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 Taylor, Miss Rebecca, Ashby  
 Taylor, Rev R., Manchester  
 Taylor, Mrs Esther W. do  
 Taylor, Samuel, Worcester  
 Taylor, Samuel S., Dunstable  
 Teel, John, Newburyport  
 Teel, Miss Sarah E. do  
 Teale, Mrs Cornelia C., Milton  
 Tenney, Miss S. G. do  
 Tenney, Rev Francis V., Byfield  
 Terry, Rev James, South Weymouth  
 Thatcher, Rev Tyler, California  
 Thatcher, Matthew, South Dartmouth  
 Thatcher, Samuel, Yarmouth  
 Thayer, Miss L. W., Boston  
 Thayer, Miss Susan, Natick  
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 Tinkham, Jesse, Enfield

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 Titus, Mrs Sally, Westminster  
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 Tolman, Joseph, Ware  
 Tolman, Mrs Hannah, Dorchester  
 Tolman, William E. do  
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 Torrance, Mrs J., Enfield  
 Torrey, Ziba, Attleboro'  
 Tower, Mrs A. D., Cummington  
 Tower, H. L. do  
 Towne, Salem, Chariton  
 \*Townsend, Rev R., Shelburne  
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 Tracy, Mrs H. A. do  
 Train, Nathaniel, Enfield  
 Trask, Daniel, do  
 Trask, Mrs Mary, do  
 Trask, Charles H., Manchester  
 Tremlett, Mrs Thomas, Dorchester  
 Torrey, Charles W., Abington  
 Torrey, John E. do  
 Torrey, Miss Miranda, do  
 Treecott, Mrs Lois, Dorchester  
 Tucker, Mrs Catharine, do  
 Tucker, Ephraim, Ware  
 Tucker, Jesse, Milton  
 Tucker, Lewis, do  
 Tucker, Mrs Lusanne, Dorchester  
 Tucker, Mark, D. D., Wethersfield, Ct.  
 Tucker, Mrs Nathan, Milton  
 Tupper, Rev Martyn, Hardwick  
 Tucker, Nathan, Milton  
 Turner, N. G., Sunderland  
 Tuttle, Miss Sarah, Boston  
 Tuttle, Thomas S., Littleton  
 Tyler, Mrs Fanny, Attleboro'  
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 Underwood, Mrs E. A. do  
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 Upton, Mrs Sophia M., Fitchburg  
 Utley, Rev Samuel, Amsterlitz, N. Y.  
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 Vinton, Miss Eliza A., Boston  
 Vinton, Josiah, do  
 Virgin, Miss Hannah, do  
 \*Vose, Thomas, do  
 Vose, William H., Fitchburg  
 Wait, Miss Rebecca, Medford  
 Wales, Thomas, North Bridgewater  
 Walker, Amasa, North Brookfield  
 Walker, Mrs Hannah, Sturbridge  
 Walker, Rev H. D., Abington  
 Walker, Miss Mary, Greenwich  
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 Ward, Jonathan, Buckland  
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 Ward, Mrs Mary Ann, Newton  
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 Warren, Jonas, do  
 Warren, Mrs Sidney S., do  
 Warren, Nathan, Waltham  
 Warren, Mrs Sarah, do  
 Warren, Leander, Leicester  
 Warren, Mrs Nancy, Greenwich  
 Warren, Rev W., Uxbridge  
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 Waters, Rev I., Chesterfield  
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 am H., Newburyport  
 Josiah, Waltham  
 Merrick, Lunenburg  
 rs E. M., Conway  
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 Hiram H., Hartford, Wis.  
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 im Catharine F., Marblehead  
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 atin B., East Douglas  
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 Miss Abby B., Templeton  
 David, do  
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 Susan H., Marblehead  
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 sv F. L., Gill  
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 al, Northbridge  
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 s, Mrs B. F., do  
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 s, M., West Roxbury  
 Daniel, Scituate  
 v B. G., Fitchburg  
 sv Hervey, Newburyport  
 seph, Taunton  
 aries W., Winchester  
 sv John, Cambridge  
 D., Middleboro'  
 v Mary Ann, Braintree  
 v M. H., Harwich  
 rs Cyrus K., Middleton  
 Rev R., Abington  
 rs Lucy, Cambridge  
 v Worcester, Ashby  
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 Williams, Abel B., Northbridge  
 Williams, Rev Dillon, Feedinghills  
 Williams, Joseph, Newburyport  
 \*Williams, Rev S. F., do  
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 Wilson, Rev Thomas, Westford  
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 Woodman, Joseph, do  
 Woods, Joseph W., Boston  
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 \*Worcester, Samuel, D. D., Salem  
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### Regulations and By-Laws of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

object of the Society is to diffuse the knowledge of the Gospel of Jesus among the heathen and others in destitute places," they therefore agree to be following Rules, &c.

**ARTICLE I.** The officers of the Society shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, a Treasurer, and twenty Trustees, chosen annually by ballot.

It shall be the duty of the President to regulate the meetings of the Society, *officio*, to act as one of the Board of Trustees; seven of whom shall con- quorum for business, at any meeting regularly convened.

The Trustees shall, immediately after each Annual Meeting of the Society, an Executive Committee of seven, (including the Secretary and Treasurer,) in Boston and its vicinity; four of whom shall be a quorum at any regular

This Committee shall have power to appoint its own meetings, form its rules of business, fill any vacancy in its own number which may occur during the year, and convene special meetings of the Trustees or Society: they shall also appoint Missionaries, and direct them as to their labors;—it being un- derstood that none shall be employed as Missionaries, except those who exhibit evidence of experimental piety, and of that Christian zeal, wisdom, infor- mation and diligence, which are adequate to the arduous work of Evangelists, in the most trying circumstances. This Committee shall also manage and dispose of

the Society's property, and transact all the concerns of the Society, not otherwise assigned; and shall make report, at each Annual Meeting, of the labor and success of the Missionaries, and exhibit a particular account of their own transactions.

IV. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to conduct the correspondence of the Society, keep an accurate record of its proceedings, and exhibit them whenever required.

V. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and hold the property of the Society, to answer the orders of the Executive Committee, and to make a report at every Annual Meeting of the Society. He shall also give bonds, from time to time, to such amount as the Executive Committee shall think proper.

VI. Any person may become a Member of this Society by paying two dollars to the Treasurer for the use of the Society; and shall be considered as retaining his membership and obliged to pay two dollars annually, until his desire to discontinue his connection with the Society be expressed to the Treasurer. Any person may become a Life Member of this Society by paying into the treasury thirty dollars at one time.

VII. The Society shall meet at Boston to transact their annual business on the Tuesday preceding the last Wednesday in May, of each year, at ten o'clock, A. M. A public meeting shall also be held annually in the same city, on the evening of the same day; to be conducted in such manner as the Executive Committee shall direct; and an annual sermon shall be preached at the time and place of the meeting of the General Association of Massachusetts, by some person appointed by said Association, and a collection taken in aid of the funds of the Society. An annual delegation may be sent to the General Association of Massachusetts, on such terms as may be agreed upon by the two bodies.

VIII. These Rules and Regulations shall be subject to any amendments and improvements which this Society shall think proper to adopt; but no amendments shall be adopted, except by the vote of two-thirds of the members present at an annual meeting; nor unless the same shall have been recommended by the Executive Committee.

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The policy and general principles of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society may be summarily stated thus:—

1. To assist feeble churches and societies in sustaining their ministers.
  2. To give only such aid as will meet the deficiency after they have paid at least *one per cent.* of their taxable property.
  3. In no case to grant over \$200 per annum to the same missionary flock.
  4. To afford help only to such as, by reason of *distance*, cannot go to other churches of their own order.
  5. To pledge no sum of money for a longer period than one year.
  6. To require of each missionary a statistical report of his field annually; and quarterly reports if he desires quarterly payments.
  7. To require feeble churches to fulfill their engagements with their *parsons* each year before they renew their application for aid.
- In applying these general rules, which, of course, must be modified somewhat to meet all conceivable cases, the Committee usually give the strongest encouragement to such parishes as (other things being equal) have *settled pastors*; and the least to those which subsist on occasional supplies;—while they have ceased to make any appropriation at all where the preacher does not reside among the people.

## SYSTEMATIC CONTRIBUTIONS.

Following plan for systematic contributions in Massachusetts to the objects of benevolence here specified, was recommended by the Association of the State, at their meeting in Ipswich, June 24, and has been extensively adopted by the local Associations and Conferences. The necessity for *some* uniform system has long been felt, and it is hoped that this will meet the approbation of all.

### 1. BOSTON AND VICINITY.

to the arrangement made by these in 1833.

Missions, *January*.  
on Society, *February*.  
ssions, *April*.  
Schools, *June*.  
missions, *September*.  
's Friend Society, *October*.  
ociety, *November*.

### COUNTY AND ANDOVER ASSOCIATION.

ociety, *December and January*.  
Missions, *February and March*.  
on Society, *April and May*.  
missions, *June and July*.  
ociety, *August and September*.  
's Friend Society, *October*.  
School Society, *November*.

### ESSEX UNION AND WOBURN ASSOCIATIONS.

ociety, *January and February*.  
Missions, *March and April*.  
on Society, *May and June*.  
missions, *July and August*.  
ociety, *September and October*.  
's Friend Society, *November*.  
School Society, *December*.

### LEICESTER COUNTY AND CONFERENCE.

AND MENDON ASSOCIATION.  
ociety, *February and March*.  
Missions, *April and May*.  
on Society, *June and July*.  
missions, *August and September*.  
ociety, *October and November*.  
's Friend Society, *December*.  
School Society, *January*.

### 2. BERKSHIRE COUNTY.

ociety, *March and April*.  
Missions, *May and June*.  
on Society, *July and August*.  
missions, *September and October*.  
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### 3. HAMPDEN COUNTY.

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School Society, *March*.

### 4. HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.

Bible Society, *May and June*.  
Foreign Missions, *July and August*.  
Education Society, *September and October*.  
Home Missions, *November and December*.  
Tract Society, *January and February*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *March*.  
Sabbath School Society, *April*.

### 5. FRANKLIN COUNTY AND WORCESTER NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Bible Society, *June and July*.  
Foreign Missions, *August and September*.  
Education Society, *October and November*.  
Home Missions, *December and January*.  
Tract Society, *February and March*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *April*.  
Sabbath School Society, *May*.

### 6. WORCESTER CENTRAL AND BROOKFIELD ASSOCIATIONS.

Bible Society, *July and August*.  
Foreign Missions, *September and October*.  
Education Society, *November and December*.  
Home Missions, *January and February*.  
Tract Society, *March and April*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *May*.  
Sabbath School Society, *June*.

### 7. MIDDLESEX SOUTH AND HARMONY CONFERENCES.

Bible Society, *August and September*.  
Foreign Missions, *October and November*.  
Education Society, *December and January*.  
Home Missions, *February and March*.  
Tract Society, *April and May*.  
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Sabbath School Society, *July*.

### 8. TAUNTON AND VICINITY AND OLD COLONY CONFERENCES.

Bible Society, *September and October*.  
Foreign Missions, *November and December*.  
Education Society, *January and February*.  
Home Missions, *March and April*.  
Tract Society, *May and June*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *July*.  
Sabbath School Society, *August*.

### 9. PILGRIM AND BARNSTABLE CONFERENCES.

Bible Society, *October and November*.  
Foreign Missions, *December and January*.  
Education Society, *February and March*.  
Home Missions, *April and May*.  
Tract Society, *June and July*.  
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the Society's property, and transact all the concerns of the Society, not otherwise assigned; and shall make report, at each Annual Meeting, of the labor and success of the Missionaries, and exhibit a particular account of their own transactions.

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VII. The Society shall meet at Boston to transact their annual business on the Tuesday preceding the last Wednesday in May, of each year, at ten o'clock, A. M.

A public meeting shall also be held annually in the same city, on the evening of the same day; to be conducted in such manner as the Executive Committee shall direct; and an annual sermon shall be preached at the time and place of the meeting of the General Association of Massachusetts, by some person appointed by said Association, and a collection taken in aid of the funds of the Society. An annual delegation may be sent to the General Association of Massachusetts, on such terms as may be agreed upon by the two bodies.

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The policy and general principles of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society may be summarily stated thus:—

1. To assist feeble churches and societies in sustaining their ministers.
2. To give only such aid as will meet the deficiency after they have paid at least *one per cent.* of their taxable property.
3. In no case to grant over \$200 per annum to the same missionary flock.
4. To afford help only to such as, by reason of *distance*, cannot go to other churches of their own order.
5. To pledge no sum of money for a longer period than one year.
6. To require of each missionary a statistical report of his field annually; and quarterly reports if he desires quarterly payments.
7. To require feeble churches to fulfill their engagements with their *pastors* each year before they renew their application for aid.

In applying these general rules, which, of course, must be modified somewhat to meet all conceivable cases, the Committee usually give the strongest encouragement to such parishes as (other things being equal) have *settled pastors*; and the least to those which subsist on occasional supplies;—while they have ceased to make any appropriation at all where the preacher does not reside among the people.

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OF THE

MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY,

Presented May 27, 1856.

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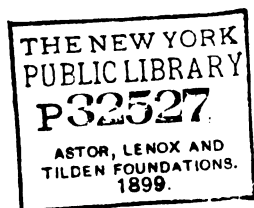
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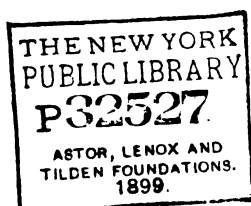
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## NOTICES.

ALL communications intended for the Executive Committee, and any correspondence relating to the general interests of the Society, may be addressed to Rev. JOSEPH S. CLARK, Secretary, No. 11 Tremont Temple, Boston.

All remittances of money, and whatever communications relate to the pecuniary concerns of the Board, may be made to BENJAMIN PERKINS, Esq., Treasurer, No. 228 Washington Street, Boston.

Persons, in any part of the State, wishing to become Life Members or Life Directors of the American Home Missionary Society—or to make donations in any form to its funds, can transmit their donations through the treasury of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

Life Membership in the American Home Missionary Society, is *thirty dollars*.

Life Directorship in the do. do. is *one hundred dollars*.

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[☐] The Secretaries of Auxiliary Societies, are earnestly requested to forward copies of their Annual Reports, without delay, to the Secretary of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, No. 11 Tremont Temple, Boston. Also to furnish a list of the Officers chosen at each annual meeting. Compliance with these requests will enable the Committee of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society to furnish, in connection with their Annual Report, a satisfactory account of the state and progress of each Auxiliary.

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**STANDING RULE.**—The Missionary who makes his Reports to the Secretary of the Society *quarterly*, shall be entitled to quarterly drafts on the Treasury. Those who report *semi-annually*, shall be entitled to semi-annual drafts. Those who fail to render an *Annual Report* on or before the first day of APRIL, shall thereby forfeit the patronage of the Society, unless a sufficient excuse be rendered. In the Annual Report, definite answers to the following questions are required.

1. What is the number of rateable polls—also families—in your society?
2. What is the amount of your Society's valuation on the town assessors' book?
3. What proportion of it is in the hands of church members?
4. What aid do you receive from persons in your congregation not connected with your society?
5. What productive funds has your society?
6. What is your stipulated salary?
7. How is it raised—by tax or subscription?
8. Is it punctually paid?
9. What is the average number in your Sabbath congregations?
10. What is the number of your church members—male—female?
11. What additions during the year ending April 1st—by profession—by letter?
12. What the number of baptisms—adult—infant?
13. How many hopeful conversions have occurred?
14. What is the number in your Sabbath school and Bible class?
15. What progress has been made in temperance?
16. What is the amount of contributions to the Mass. Home Missionary Society?
17. What the amount contributed to all other religious charities?
18. What special encouragements or discouragements have you in your labors?

[In answering these inquiries, it will only be necessary to refer to their numerical designation, without transcribing them.]

## ANNUAL MEETING.

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THE MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY held its *Fifty-seventh* Annual Meeting for business at the room of the Executive Committee, No. 11 Tremont Temple, May 27, 1856,—Rev. RICHARD S. STORRS, D. D., President, in the chair.

The meeting was opened with prayer by the President. Rev. AMOS BLANCHARD was chosen Clerk.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary.

The Treasurer's Report was read and accepted.

Portions of the Executive Committee's Report were read and discussed.

*Voted*, That it be adopted, and an abstract of the same be presented by the Secretary at the public meeting this evening.

The officers for the ensuing year were then chosen. (See next page.)

*Voted*, That the Secretary and Rev. AMOS BLANCHARD be delegates from this body to the General Association of Massachusetts, to meet in June at Salem.

*Voted* to adjourn, to attend the public exercises of the Anniversary in the Tremont Temple, at 7½ o'clock this evening.

AMOS BLANCHARD, *Clerk*.

Attest: J. S. CLARK, *Secretary*.

## PUBLIC MEETING.

The exercises of the public Anniversary were opened at 7½ o'clock, P. M. in Tremont Temple,—Dr. STORRS, the President, in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Rev. W. I. BUDINGTON, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

An abstract of the Annual Report of the Executive Committee was read by the Secretary.

Addresses, appropriate to the occasion, were then made in support of the following Resolutions, viz:

*Resolved*, That the aim of the Home Missionary Society demands a higher degree of piety in the church.

By Rev. ISAIAH C. THACHER, of Middleboro'.

*Resolved*, That, recognizing more and more distinctly the necessity and value of the work of Home Missions, in shaping the destiny and in promoting the true welfare of our country, we will give to the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society a still more hearty sympathy and support.

By Rev. SWIFT BYINGTON, West Brookfield.

*Resolved*, That the triumph of the gospel in great centres of influence is a necessary preliminary to the successes of the Home Missionary work.

By Rev. DANIEL P. NOYES, one of the Secretaries of the American Home Missionary Society, New York.

The addresses were eminently serious, earnest and instructive. The singing was performed by the whole congregation, under the lead of Mr. W. R. Babcock, organist at the Central church. The exercises were closed with the Doxology, and the assembly were dismissed with the Benediction by the President.



## OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY.

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### PRESIDENT.

REV. RICHARD S. STORRS, D. D.

### VICE PRESIDENTS.

REV. HEMAN HUMPHREY, D. D.	HON. LEWIS STRONG.
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### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

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## ANNUAL REPORT.

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THE favor of God hitherto vouchsafed to the MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY, has been afforded in a somewhat larger measure than usual during its Fifty-seventh year, which closes this evening. With no increase of agency,—in fact, with no *traveling* agency at all, beyond what the Secretary has performed by spending each Sabbath with some pastor whose people were about to take up their annual collection,—the churches have increased their donations.

### The Treasury,

at the opening of the year, contained \$2,416 88—a balance from the year preceding. The subsequent *receipts* have amounted to \$36,652 45. besides \$20,158 38, gathered from the same field through the same agency, which, for convenience sake, the donors forwarded directly to the National Society at New York. The whole amount, therefore, received from Massachusetts, has been \$56,810 83, which is an advance of \$8,706 41, upon the receipts of the previous year.

The *disbursements* have been \$4,758 08 for missionary labor performed in Massachusetts; \$1,316 96 in defraying the proportion of incidental expenses pertaining to this Auxiliary; and \$50,758 38 paid into the Treasury of the American Home Missionary Society for them to distribute on the field at large, in accordance with a long established and well approved system of co-operation.

That system, as all the patrons of this Society very well know, is based on the idea of a combined effort among various organized bodies of different names and localities, but all holding evangelical views, and engaged in the work of Home Missions. It supposes the surrender of certain denominational rights in the prosecution of this one common enterprise, and recognizes the authority of a Cen-

tral Executive Committee, annually chosen, to appoint, commission, locate and direct all the missionaries, with power also to "create such agency or agencies" for any of these or other purposes, "as the interests of the institution may require." By this combined action of many actors under one supervisory Board, system is secured, expense avoided, and manifold more efficiency given to the same amount of missionary labor, than would be possible with twenty or more confederate bodies at work independently on the same field.

Into this co-operative alliance the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society entered heartily and in good faith, having obtained from the Legislature an alteration of its old charter for that express purpose; and has ever since paid "the whole of its funds" to the American Home Missionary Society, without even exercising the reserved right, which every Auxiliary has, of designating the fields on which those funds shall be expended—excepting only the feeble churches in our own little State, where less than one-tenth of the receipts are now disbursed. And the results of thirty years' experience show that this truly catholic plan is not only practicable, but eminently effective for all the great purposes of evangelization—especially in the new settlements of the West, where minor preferences among evangelical Christians must, of necessity, be laid aside for a while, in providing the essential means of grace.

It is with surprise and sorrow, therefore, that the Executive Committee of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society have noticed the partial disruption of this co-operative plan during the past year. The inauguration of a Committee on *Presbyterian Church Extension* in the late meeting of the General Assembly at St. Louis, for the avowed purpose of preoccupying the frontier settlements with churches exclusively of that denomination, and of starting them in large villages where they have not sprung up under the impartial application of the American Home Missionary Society's principles, is, in itself, a suspension of the co-operative policy, just so far as the new scheme is carried out; for it is nothing less than to resume those denominational functions which Presbyterians and Congregationalists alike *mutually agreed to surrender, as a prerequisite for any co-operation at all*. Nor can we find the least relief in the invitation given us by our Presbyterian brethren to go and do likewise; for this would be only to *complete* the disruption, by dissolving the American Home Missionary Society—the very last resort to which New England will look for redress. Heartily approving of its present policy, why should we help to break it up? So far as the Executive Committee can learn, there is not the faintest wish among the donors in Massachusetts to have our old relations to that Society changed, unless it be found (which can hardly be supposed) that those who are now diverting a portion of their funds

from the general object to sustain separate and denominational home missions on the same field, *are also to draw from the common treasury an equal share with those who contribute THE WHOLE OF THEIRS to replenish it.* A demand so out of harmony with all reasonable ideas of co-operation certainly will not be made ; or if made, will be refused, till all the confederated parties are ready to dissolve the compact and break in pieces the noble organism through which its invaluable and imperishable results have been achieved. Presuming that no such injustice is contemplated, but that *secession* is the thing foreshadowed by this new movement, there is no necessity for any re-adjustment of the National Society's organization, or of our co-operative relations to it. Each Auxiliary has an unquestionable right to secede. And with whatever regrets we shall take leave of those who have so long been our fellow-laborers in the Home Missionary work, their departure need not, *will not*, sunder the ties that bind them to our hearts as fellow Christians of the same essential faith, if not of precisely the same unessential forms. Indeed, there is ground to hope that this separate organization among our Presbyterian brethren has its origin, not so much in unfriendliness towards other denominations, as in a spirit of loyalty to their own. The 18th chapter in their "Form of Government," as interpreted by the Committee on Church Extension, seems to require the General Assembly, *as such*, to take the oversight of its feeble churches ; and although it is supposed that this requisition does not preclude "the *use* of a voluntary association like the American Home Missionary Society," in doing a part of its work, still, if this be the true theory, it is impossible that the General Assembly should ever co-operate in a voluntary association for home missions on equal terms with others, who come in under no ecclesiastical restraints. In view of all these circumstances, it is not improbable that brotherly love will be promoted ; rather than hindered, and the cause of Home Missions be put forward, and not backward, by a separation.

#### Tabular View.

The Society's operations during the past year within our own small domain are exhibited, as heretofore, in a tabular form ; showing the names of the missionaries, the date of their commissions, and the fields of their labor, together with the progress of the churches, so far as their statistical returns will show it. Brief sketches of missionary labor and its results in the several stations, gleaned chiefly from quarterly reports, and given, as far as practicable, in the missionaries' own words, are subjoined, with a view to bring the missionaries and their patrons into better acquaintance and closer sympathy, as fellow-stewards of the same "manifold grace of God."

Churches and Missionaries.	Date of Commission.	Length of com.	Dollars approp'd.	Average cong'n.	Church members.	Added by prof.	Added by letter.	Infants baptized.	Reported cover.	Sab. sch. & B. el.	Contributions to Home Missions.	Contributed for other objects.
1. ANDOVER, <i>Ballardsdale</i> . Rev. Henry S. Greene, P. .	Mar. 1, 1855	12	200	175	46	3	6	7	17	125	10 00	15 00
2. AUSTERLITZ, N. Y. Rev. Samuel Utley, P. .	Jan. 1, 1856	12	100	80	32			1		55	20 00	25 00
3. BARNSTABLE, <i>Hgannis</i> . Rev. John U. Parsons, s. s. .	Nov. 1, 1855	12	200	100	22	2	5	2	3	150		
4. BOSTON, <i>German Evang.</i> Rev. Louis B. Schwartz, P. .	Nov. 17, 1855	12	200	190	104	4	14	38	8	106		95 00
5. CANTON. Rev. Solomon Clark, P. .	July 1, 1855	12	150	100	37		1		1	75	20 16	38 72
6. CARLISLE. Rev. John Lawrence, P. .	April 1, 1855	12	125	100	60			3	2	70	18 39	47 35
7. DANA. Rev. John Keep, P. .	Jan. 1, 1856	12	150	110	30	2	7	1	1	60	15 00	45 25
8. DOVER. Rev. John Haskell, P. .	June 20, 1855	12	100	85	40		3			40	8 00	11 50
9. ERVING. Rev. Eli Moody, s. s. .	Mar. 1, 1856	12	200	100	34	7	9		9	45		
10. FRANKLIN, <i>South</i> . Rev. Joseph Thayer, s. s. .	Jan. 1, 1856	12	200	100	30	5	7		4	75		
11. GLOUCESTER, <i>Lanesville</i> . Rev. Nathaniel Richardson, P.	Mar. 1, 1856	12	150	185	45					150	7 50	42 90
12. GLOUCESTER, <i>West</i> . Rev. Levi Wheaton, P. .	July 16, 1854	12	175	80	30	1				91	13 00	47 00
13. HAVERHILL, <i>East</i> . Rev. Wales Lewis, P. .	May 28, 1856	12	150	100	34	7				50	23 00	24 41
14. HINGHAM. Rev. E. Porter Dyer, P. .	Sept. 15, 1855	12	200	125	19			2		50	38 00	50 00
15. HOLLAND. Rev. Horace R. Grannis, s. s. .	June 1, 1855	12	150	100	36					50		
16. LITTLETON. Rev. Elihu Loomis, s. s. .	Oct. 22, 1855	12	125	70	39	6	1	1	12	60	39 42	117 46
17. LONGMEADOW, <i>East</i> . Rev. J. R. Brown, P. .	Nov. 1, 1855	12	50	150	96	5	1	3	2	70	17 00	80 00
18. LYNNFIELD, <i>Centre</i> . Rev. U. W. Condit, P. .	Sept. 3, 1854	12	150	150	61					78		
19. MENDON. Rev. Elijah Demond, P. .	May 1, 1855	12	150	75	35	1				40	13 00	
20. MONTGOMERY. Rev. Thomas A. Hall, s. s. .	May 1, 1855	6	100	90	18					50		
21. NEW SALEM. Rev. Erastus Curtiss, s. s. .	Nov. 1, 1855	12	150	75	33				1	50		
22. PITTSFIELD, 2d ch. Rev. Samuel Harrison, P. .	Oct. 1, 1855	12	100	85	31	20	1		25	30		
23. PLYMOUTH, <i>Chiltonsille</i> . Rev. E. P. Kimball, s. s. .	Jan. 1, 1856	12	150	45	50					50		3 00
24. SHUTESBURY. Rev. James Tisdale, P. .	Oct. 15, 1855	12	125	100	44					60	50	10 50

Churches and Missionaries.	Date of Commission.	Length of com.	Dollars appropri'd.	Average cong'n.	Church members.	Added by prof.	Added by letter.	Infants baptized.	Reported conver.	Sub. sch. & B. el.	Contributions to Home Missions.	Contributed for other objects.
25. SPRINGFIELD, <i>Indian Orchard</i> . Rev. William E. Bassett, <i>s. s.</i>	Sept. 24, 1855	12	200	100	29	10	6	2	6	50	15 61	18 94
26. STERLING. Rev. William Miller, <i>P.</i>	April 1, 1855	12	150	100	49	8	6	3	8	90	15 00	31 00
27. Stockbridge, <i>Curtisville</i> . Rev. George Uhler, <i>P.</i>	May 1, 1855	12	100	100	103	15	1	4	10	55	21 00	65 00
28. TAUNTON, <i>East</i> . Rev. James R. Cushing, <i>s. s.</i>	Mar. 1, 1855	12	200	80	15				1	75	6 75	7 00
29. TISBURY, <i>Holmes's Hole</i> . Rev. William H. Sturtevant, <i>s. s.</i>	Jan. 1, 1856	12	150	85	27			2		53	15 00	20 00
30. WARWICK. Rev. Henry M. Bridge, <i>s. s.</i>	Mar. 14, 1856	12	150	112	58	1				85	43 75	57 50
31. WASHINGTON. Rev. Eber L. Clark, <i>P.</i>	Feb. 2, 1855	12	100	55	20					30	14 00	20 00
32. WATERTOWN. Rev. S. B. Dennen, <i>P.</i>	July 1, 1855	12	200	150	38	8	3	2	1	60		
33. WEST ROXBURY, <i>Jamaica Plain</i> . Rev. Alonzo H. Quint, <i>P.</i>	Sept. 14, 1854	12	200	200	63	6	14	8	3	100	25 00	100 00
34. WOBURN, <i>North</i> . Rev. George T. Dole, <i>P.</i>	July 1, 1855	3	44	150	48					70		
35. WRENTHAM, <i>North</i> . Rev. John Dwight, <i>P.</i>	Jan. 1, 1855	12	100	100	35					50		
36. YARMOUTH. Rev. John H. Wells, <i>P.</i>	Jan. 1, 1855	12	75	100	40					50		

### Details of Missionary Labor and its Results.

1. ANDOVER, *Ballardvale*.—Although the Ballardvale Union Society was organized in 1849, and had occasional preachers of various evangelical denominations, it was not till the last day of 1854, that a church of eleven members was gathered, and received under missionary patronage. "It now has a membership of forty-six. Seventeen have given credible evidence of conversion, or of being greatly revived in spiritual life." At each communion season through the year, one or more were received to the church, two of whom are young men preparing for the ministry. Mr. Greene was installed April 1, 1855, having stately supplied the pulpit during the four preceding years. Meanwhile the Methodist portion of the original Union Society opened a separate place of worship, and are in a prosperous state. It is a manufacturing village, of recent origin, and therefore subject to fluctuations, both in business and population. Still the prospects are favorable for a successful issue, and an early relinquishment of missionary aid.

2. AUSTERLITZ, N. Y.—"Our situation and prospects as a society," writes the pastor, "have not materially changed. There has been no special interest during the year; but good attendance on public worship. What is in the future, He, in whose hands are the hearts of all, only knows.

The church and society are weak, but there are some most excellent spirits here, who are willing to stand by and support the Ark of God under any circumstances." By advice of the Berkshire Association an addition of \$25 was made to the last reported appropriation, which the Executive Committee have seen cause to continue.

3. BARNSTABLE, *Hyannis*.—On the 1st of April the missionary wrote, "Our discouragements are, that sin abounds—delusions are multiplied—we are losing the friendship of the leading Universalists. Our encouragements are, that the Lord reigns—a few Christians are importunate in prayer—the young people of the village throng our Sabbath evening meetings—two of our seamen have recently been hopefully converted—our Sabbath school has re-opened with very encouraging prospects, and is probably the largest in the place."

4. BOSTON, *German Evangelical*.—"I have been happy in my ministerial work, but labor under many disadvantages and trials. All laborers in my position will have to sigh over 'large city evils'; and one is, the instability of the material of which naturally all such immigrant congregations are formed. But this is apostolic labor, in which even the Master largely engaged, and one has to sow what others will reap. The hard times amongst the poor during the past winter have been helpful to preach, and many have thereby been brought to think over forgotten things and past blessings. The Spirit of the Lord has been at work, and a number of sinners have become changed. All things have worked together for good, and filled the house of God with anxious hearers."

5. CANTON.—"There is a sense in which we may say, 'The morning cometh.' The result of the means and agencies of the gospel in operation here, will eventually be the dawn of a brighter day. But at present there is but little to encourage. At times, appearances are hopeful; the congregation increases; the house is nearly full. Then whole families suddenly leave town. So it is; so it has been; so it will be." Yet it will be seen by reference to the table, that the spirit of benevolence is gaining ground from year to year. This certainly is a hopeful feature, and will at length work out other encouraging results.

6. CARLISLE.—"A more than usual prayerfulness, if not of spirituality, has pervaded some members the past winter, and some in the congregation hear with close attention and apparent feeling." The growth is slow, but appears to be constant, and the pastor bears honorable testimony to the promptness of the people in discharging their pecuniary obligations to him—a favor which all ministers will be sure to appreciate now, if never before.

7. DANA.—A slow but steady progress seems to be made from year to year, notwithstanding the scanty materials with which the pastor has to work. The debt on the meeting-house, reported last year to have been assumed by individuals in the society, has necessarily made it harder to

raise the minister's salary,—on account of which the Executive Committee have forborne to diminish the appropriation. "Indications of an increasing religious interest have occasionally appeared," but the community at large have not been moved.

8. DOVER.—The removal of five church members—three of them by death—is sensibly felt in a flock no larger than this. Their places as yet have been supplied only in part. No other changes have been reported.

9. ERVING.—After several years of utter prostration, occasioned by a business failure, which involved the loss of the meeting-house, an energetic effort was commenced by two or three individuals, lately come into the place, to re-establish the ordinances of religion. And as it usually happens that those who are trying to help themselves find others ready to help them, they have succeeded. In scarcely more than one year from the new start, the meeting-house has been re-purchased, and paid for; the church and society re-organized; a flourishing Sabbath school opened; and the ministry of the Word established. After a three months' mission performed by Mr. Augustine Root, recently from the Theological Seminary, the present incumbent was stately employed, whose experience and judicious labors have been greatly blessed. Should the same earnest purpose continue to actuate the few individuals on whom the chief responsibility at present devolves, and be accompanied by similar influences of the Spirit, the missionary part of the work will soon be finished.

10. FRANKLIN, *South*.—The "Union Congregational Society of South Franklin," dates from January 1, 1855. The church was gathered on the 13th of September following. It was the hope of those who undertook the enterprise, to sustain it without calling on the Missionary Society; and it is their intention, after completing a house of worship, for which they have subscribed with a praiseworthy liberality, to ask no farther aid. The church and society are composed of dwellers in the outskirts of three different towns, Franklin, Wrentham and Bellingham. The enterprise is begun in an excellent spirit, and is sure of a successful issue, if the point of self-support can be reached before a *habit* of dependence is contracted.

11. GLOUCESTER, *Lanesville*.—A growing spirit of benevolence, evinced in a larger amount contributed to religious charities than ever before, and a marked increase of interest in the Sabbath school, for whose benefit \$50 have been contributed—these are the most material facts reported among the encouragements of the past year. In spiritual things nothing cheering has occurred. "The state of religion," writes the pastor, "is very low—vain amusements have been the order of the day, or rather of the night, during the past winter."

12. GLOUCESTER, *West*.—It will be seen, by inspecting the table, that no appropriation has been expended on this field since the middle of last July. At that date, which closed the thirtieth year of their dependence on mission-



ary help, the society renewed their application, and enlarged their request—asking for \$200, which was \$25 more than had been afforded for several previous years. This sum, the largest that the Executive Committee ever give, and seldom given except to new applicants passing through the period of infancy, was pledged, however, in this case, on condition that the balance of the missionary's support was raised among themselves. Failing to do this, they made application to the Essex South Conference of churches, and were received under its patronage—which, of course, has removed the necessity for its longer dependence on the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

13. HAVERHILL, *East*.—As the fruits of a spiritual refreshing noticed in the last Report, the church has been replenished and invigorated by the addition of seven young members. This has given a new aspect and a new impulse to the religious interests of the community.

14. HINGHAM.—Among the encouraging tokens of progress, is a marked increase in Christian benevolence. Good attendance is given on prayer meetings, and in the summer season the visitors from abroad very much increase the Sabbath congregations. "But," writes the pastor, "we need a revival—nothing is needed so much."

15. HOLLAND.—Mr. Grannis, who had ministered to this flock with great acceptance, for nearly two years, was called back to the West in January, by intimations of Providence, which he felt bound to follow, though to the universal regret of his little flock here. They are as yet without a stated supply, and no statistical report has been rendered.

16. LITTLETON.—On the 1st of April, the missionary writes:—"An encouraging stillness and attention has characterized our congregations generally throughout the year. The church contains an unusually large proportion of developed and active members, both male and female; and in answer to their prayers, notwithstanding the weakness and thriftlessness of your missionary, the Lord has been pleased to visit us with the special influences of his Spirit. The work would not be designated by the term '*powerful*;' but from time to time, at considerable intervals, through the whole year, the hearts of Christians have been made glad by manifestations of spiritual life in souls formerly dead in trespasses and sins." As a very natural accompaniment of these divine influences, the people have more than doubled their contributions to objects of religious charity, besides assuming \$25 of the amount formerly received from the Missionary Society, and entering upon the work of building a parsonage.

17. LONGMEADOW, *East*.—"Eighteen months ago it appeared extremely doubtful whether this church would be able to sustain the gospel ministry. Now the experiment has been successfully made. The question whether the church shall survive, or be supplanted by one of another name, is no longer agitated. Its continuance is regarded as a fixed fact. This is an important point gained. The people have more confidence in their own ability, and have gone to work in earnest to make the institutions of the gos-

pel permanent." The missionary reports a still more marked change for the better in regard to common school education, which underlies the social and moral character of our New England towns, as the everlasting granite does her farms.

18. LYNNFIELD, *Centre*.—Mr. Condit was called to another parish in July, and no application for missionary aid has since been received. A successor was settled in February over a united and self-supporting people, with flattering prospects of usefulness.

19. MENDON.—During the first six months of the year, Rev. A. H. Reed, the former pastor, and a resident of the place, supplied the pulpit. Mr. Demond succeeded him, and has subsequently been installed, with encouraging prospects of usefulness. "The trials of this church have been great, various and long-continued. At times it has looked as though it must go down. But still it lives, and light increases, and hope revives. The time will come when truth will triumph on this field." Thus writes Mr. Reed.

20. MONTGOMERY.—For several years our missionary on this field has supplied the pulpit but half the time, alternating with a Methodist minister—both preaching in the same house, and to a small audience comprising both denominations. During the past year, Mr. Hall fulfilled his mission of six months in continuous labor on successive Sabbaths, and gives the preference to this arrangement. It appears to the Executive Committee, that the time is near when these few sheep, scattered over a mountain, and ever growing less, will either come under the care of one permanent shepherd, or be forsaken by both.

21. NEW SALEM.—Rev. W. H. Hayward, the first and only pastor of this church, took a dismission in November, and was succeeded by Mr. Curtis, as a stated supply. There have been no other important changes of any kind.

22. PITTSFIELD, *2d Congregational Church*.—With the assistance of a Presbyterian brother from Newark, N. J., the pastor commenced a series of evening meetings last spring, which continued through two successive weeks, and he thus reports the result:—"The meetings were well attended, and during that time more than twenty-five indulged hope in Christ, of whom twenty have united with the church. This is very unusual here, and never has there been such a work in this church before. Not only youth of both sexes do we trust have been converted, but heads of families and praying young men added to the church. We praise the Lord for this manifestation of his power and grace."

23. PLYMOUTH, *Chiltonville*.—The Congregational church in this place (formerly known as Eel-River) was gathered nearly forty years ago. An unhappy dissension, which resulted in the irregular withdrawal of their pastor with about one-third of the flock, a few years since, and a still more

unhappy diversion that took place a short time after, under an eccentric and unsafe minister who "came in unawares," have so reduced the strength and discouraged the hearts of this people, as to place them under the necessity of giving up religious ordinances altogether, or of calling on this Society for help in sustaining them. By advice of an ecclesiastical council, who made a full investigation of the case, the church has been purged, a new society organized, and an application for missionary aid presented and granted.

24. SHUTESBURY.—A continual emigration to other parts of the land is the great obstacle to the growth of this church and society. The pastor says that "more than thirty individuals have left here for Minnesota, Wisconsin and Illinois the past year, and others are preparing to follow." A vigorous singing-school is the most life-like thing reported. Our missionary is now the only preacher in town, though the Baptists and Methodists both have places of worship.

25. SPRINGFIELD, *Indian Orchard*—The past has been an eventful year to this infant enterprise. Rev. L. H. Cone, under whose ministry the year opened, was compelled, by reason of ill health, to surrender the post to Mr. B. in October. The church has received an accession of sixteen members, which has more than doubled its numbers. A meeting-house has been built and blown down just before it was to have passed into the society's hands for dedication; so that the school-house is still the inconvenient and crowded place of their public worship. This is the great discouragement of the year, but is counterbalanced by encouragements still greater.

26. STERLING.—Mr. Miller was installed May 9th, 1855, having commenced his labors here in the January preceding. "The past year has been one of varied success," writes the missionary. After alluding to the removal of several members of the flock, whose loss is very much felt, he adds:—"In no other respects has there been discouragement; while, on the other hand, we have been cheered by the presence of God amongst us, and six have experienced hope in Christ. Of these, one is a young man who came in town to teach, and has now gone to another weak church to labor. My people seem resolved that the truth, as it is in Jesus, shall be preached here—some of them paying two per cent. on their entire valuation to effect this object." Such a purpose, sustained by such a spirit, is a pledge of ultimate success, incomparably more reliable than any which the Missionary Society can give.

27. STOCKBRIDGE, *Curtisville*.—Alluding to the revival which was in progress when the last annual returns were made, the pastor thus estimates its general influence on the community:—"In the first place, it united the hearts of the people. We have lived and labored in Christian fellowship throughout the year; even the vexed question of *slavery* could not divide our hearts. In the second place, the interest in our social meetings has been greatly increased. Finally, and best of all, the Holy Spirit is still working

in some hearts." The only discouragements are of an external character, such as the continued stagnation of the manufacturing interest.

28. TAUNTON, *East*.—Not less than twelve hundred souls are living within the proper limits of this home missionary field; and "after deducting foreigners and those who are connected with other religious societies, there are eighty-eight families who attend meeting nowhere except at the little chapel" where Mr. C. preaches. A renewed effort to erect a meeting-house has resulted in obtaining an adequate subscription to put the building under contract. "We shall need some \$400 or \$500 more to meet all our expenses," writes the missionary, "but I am scarcely less confident that God will provide than if we had it now. His hand has been so manifest from the beginning of our last movement, that it would be wicked not to believe it."

29. TISBURY, *Holmes's Hole*.—There appears to be a growing stability in the church and congregation, and a slow but sure progress towards self-support. "For wise reasons God has taken away by death some of the main pillars of the church in years past, or probably missionary aid might have been withheld before this time."

30. WARWICK.—The struggle is still sustained with seeming alacrity by this long assisted flock, and the prospect of ultimately reaching the point of self-support, rather brightens, though at present external aid must be continued, or the "Trinitarian Congregational church," the *only* place of public worship now open in town, must be closed, and heathenism return.

31. WASHINGTON.—"One of our greatest discouragements," writes Mr. C., "is the diminution of our numbers by removals; but those who remain appear to take increasing interest in the preaching of the word." There is also reported "a general improvement in the appearance of the people; but no fruits among them in 'souls renewed and sins forgiven.'"

32. WATERTOWN.—This is a new enterprise started in one of our oldest towns. The "Phillips church"—named in honor of Rev. George Phillips, pastor of the church which was gathered at Watertown in 1630, on the same day with the first church in Boston—was constituted July 11, 1855, with twenty members, professing the same faith that their Pilgrim predecessors professed on the same spot just two hundred and twenty-five years before. Worshipping hitherto in the Town Hall, a vigorous effort has been commenced for a spacious meeting-house, which has enlisted the co-operation of their friends in neighboring churches. Mr. D. was ordained soon after the formation of the church, and the results of his ministry thus far have inspired hopes of seeing the enterprise come to a condition of self-support in a short time.

33. WEST ROXBURY, *Jamaica Plain*.—This is no longer a missionary field. The church and society have each had a vigorous growth during the year. Faith and works have wrought their appropriate results in completing

the sanctuary, and assuming the pastor's entire support, with a generous increase of his salary. The spirit of Christian enterprise thus developed is worthy of imitation and will find its reward.

34. WOBURN, *North*.—Mr. D. took leave of his flock in the autumn, and no missionary aid has since been granted or asked.

35. WRENTHAM, *North*.—The pastoral relation and the patronage of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society have both terminated since the last Anniversary, through lack of encouragement and co-operation on the part of the people.

36. YARMOUTH, *West*.—At the expiration of his last commission, Mr. W. withdrew to another field of labor, and it is understood that the gospel will hereafter be sustained without missionary aid.

### Summary.

The whole number of churches embraced in the foregoing list is thirty-six; which is *less*, by two, than was reported the year preceding. Four of these are new applicants—three of them infant churches, gathered where no church of our order before occupied the ground.

Connected with these 36 churches are 1,534 members, of which 95 were added by profession and 84 by letter during the year.

The number of families coming within the sphere of missionary labor is 1,150; and they have furnished an average attendance on public worship of about 4,000 in the aggregate, and 2,360 pupils and teachers for Sabbath schools.

Seasons of more than usual religious interest have been experienced at several of the missionary stations, and nearly 120 hopeful conversions are reported. The largest number, in any one place, is 25 in the colored congregation at Pittsfield.

The various objects of Christian benevolence have received attention from most of these feeble churches, though full returns have not been rendered of the amount contributed. Twenty-four missionaries report \$1,370 collected for all charitable purposes. If the others have given in proportion, the whole amount has not fallen much short of \$2,000; and about one-third of it has come into the treasury of Home Missions.

Three meeting-houses have been finished and dedicated; three others, and one parsonage, are now in a process of erection.

### Pastors and their Support.

It is gratifying to report a larger number of *pastors* under commission at the present time, than for several years previous. Twenty-four,

or two-thirds of the whole missionary force in Massachusetts, sustain this relation, four of whom have been put into that office since the last Anniversary. This may be owing, in part, to a higher standard of ministerial support. The average salary now paid to our missionaries is \$515; last year it was \$490. To encourage this upward movement, the Executive Committee have stood prepared to bear a proportional part of the burden in all cases where the advance seemed necessary, and could not be otherwise made; while, at the same time, they have endeavored studiously to avoid such a perversion of charity as to make up the short-comings of a penurious spirit. Their feelings have often been touched by a tale of want from the lips or letters of a suffering minister of Christ, which they could not relieve without dereliction from duty; without inflicting great harm on the churches by giving sanction to a great wrong, and virtually putting a premium on covetousness. Were the Committee to adopt the principle of supplying all deficiencies of ministerial support that come to their knowledge, so that no pastor should be obliged to leave his flock for this cause, the entire income of the Society would hardly suffice to meet the demand within our own limits. Such cannot be the intent of the donors, though applications are sometimes made and endorsed which seem to imply this. If it is bad for a parish to lose a laborious minister merely because he cannot stay on a salary which they are well able, but unwilling to increase, it would, in the end, be worse to keep him there by pledging an appropriation from the funds of charity. So the Executive Committee judge, and so they endeavor to act.

#### Limitations of Missionary Relief.

On this point the Executive Committee beg leave to reiterate, with increased emphasis, a thought which they have often suggested in former Reports. The conditions on which missionary aid works out its results, in rearing to maturity an infant church, or in arresting the decline of an ancient one, are as firmly fixed as the laws of nature; and it is not in the power of any Missionary Board to alter them. One of these conditions is *self-exertion*. So far as it is the object of Home Missions to lift the fallen, and support the weak till they can stand or go alone, that object is attained *mainly* by calling into exercise the available powers already possessed by those who ask for aid. The system of missionary appropriation, therefore, which does this in the highest degree, is the best and most effective. That which relieves the needy from exertions which they would otherwise make for themselves, ceases to be a help, and becomes a hinderance—adding weakness instead of strength. "It is in the power of charity," says Dr. Chalmers, "to corrupt its object: it may tempt him to indolence; it

may lead him to renounce all dependence on himself; it may nourish the meanness and depravity of his character; it may lead him to hate exertion, and to renounce, without a sigh, the dignity of independence."

This remark is even more applicable to communities, or societies of men, than to individuals, inasmuch as the feeling of personal responsibility is always more faint in the former than in the latter. There is a limit beyond which *Home Missionary* charity, like that of every other sort, cannot operate to advantage, nor without serious detriment. There is in it a "power to corrupt its object"—tempting the assisted church and society to indolence; to dread the idea of self-reliance; "to hate exertion, and renounce, without a sigh, the dignity of independence." It may even nourish in the recipient a *habit* of receiving, which shall beget, not only indolence, but indifference, till the gospel itself, long time lazily enjoyed by an inefficient parish through the benefactions of others, at length loses its power to bless and build them up; and their candlestick is at last removed out of his place by the consent of God and man.

If these views be correct, (and they are capable of demonstration,) it is clear that the growth of mission churches does not depend so much on what the Missionary Society can do for them in a pecuniary way, *as on what they are incited thereby to do for themselves*; and that this, therefore, should be the great determining principle in dispensing Home Missionary funds. In acting upon this principle, as may naturally be supposed, the Executive Committee are sometimes obliged to curtail appropriations faster than the recipients think best; and to throw dependent churches upon their own resources sooner than they deem safe; and to discourage new applicants from leaning on the Missionary Society when they really think they need that support. Although this is the most delicate and least agreeable function that they have to perform, yet, by the blessing of God on appropriate efforts, exerted through friendly conference and correspondence, they have rarely failed to reach a satisfactory result, unless thwarted in their endeavors by the intervention of charity from other sources. Sometimes a Conference of churches, or an Association of ministers, have thought proper to hold out the promise of assistance beyond what the above named principle of disbursement would warrant,—thus taking away from a missionary flock the necessity for that self-exertion which the Committee were laboring to develop, and thereby keeping them back from "the dignity of independence" to which they were tending. To diminish, as far as possible, the unfavorable effect on a feeble church, of this two-fold reliance upon external aid, (leaving little room for the spirit of self-reliance to work,) they have usually deemed it best to surrender the case wholly to other hands; for unless they have the

power of *diminishing* as well as of increasing the appropriations to such churches, their mode of lifting them up to the condition of self-support can never succeed ; and why should they expend the funds of charity in helping others to keep them down ? Were they to regard only the responsibilities which God crowds upon them in reference to the occupancy of vast fields, full of hope, now opening on a scale sufficient to absorb the entire resources of the American Home Missionary Society, they would have a sufficient motive for adhering to this policy in their expenditures among the mission churches of Massachusetts ; but when the growth and well-being, the outward estate and inner life of these same churches are all benefited by it, the motive becomes still stronger ; and if they take into view the enfeebling, blighting, paralyzing effects of any considerable departure from this policy, the Committee confess themselves unable to recede from it without doing violence alike to their reason and conscience.

#### **American Home Missionary Society.**

The large share which a kind Providence permits Massachusetts to have in the operations of this Society—not indeed in controlling its action, but in augmenting its power to act—can hardly fail to keep alive among us a deep personal and proprietary interest in its great achievements. As successive years have completed their rounds, each leaving a record of new victories won, we have given to its Executive Board renewed expressions of our confidence and congratulation. But never have such expressions been more appropriate than now, whether we contemplate the results of the past, or the prospects of the future, as portrayed in their thirtieth and last Annual Report. The discharge of *fifty* churches heretofore dependent on missionary help, but now brought into the condition of self-support, and the gathering of *fifty-six* others on fields never before occupied ; the reception of 5,602 members into the various communions, where its 986 missionaries have broken the bread of life at 1,965 different stations scattered across the continent ; *fifty* revivals of religion reported by the missionaries, and the hopeful conversion of 2,005 souls in connection with their labors—these are among the results of the \$193,548 received and disbursed by the American Home Missionary Society during the past year ; and this only one out of the thirty years composing its history, all of which have a similar “record on high.” It is estimated that since the Society began its career in 1826, the gospel has been proclaimed through its missionaries at “4,300 stations, in thirty-six States and Territories ; that 137,941 souls have been gathered into churches receiving its aid ; and that 1,000 of these churches have passed from the list of its beneficiaries to that of its patrons.” But



these results, which can be counted one by one and set down in figures, are not the greatest, as we shall see when "the books are opened" at the last day, and those streams of intellectual, social, moral and religious influence, now issuing from these numerous fountains, shall be traced along through the intervening ages to the end of time.

And when from the past, we turn to the future—leaving these already garnered sheaves in the great Husbandman's care, while we essay to go forth, like refreshed reapers, into the new harvest fields of his domain—all our previous efforts and their issues seem to be mere first-fruit gatherings, so immense is the harvest that remains to be reaped. Since the American Home Missionary Society was constituted, thirty years ago, to meet a demand which even then was thought to require a national organization, nearly 1,000,000 of square miles have been added to its field of operations; while another portion of scarcely less extent, which was then unpeopled, and therefore unimportant, is now filling with a population whose first religious wants are to be met through the agency of Home Missions, or the stamp of irreligion to be fixed, not only upon them, but on succeeding generations. The tide of European emigration, too, which at that time was bringing foreigners to our shores at the rate of 25,000 per annum, now brings them at the rate of half a million,—to be saved by our successful efforts in home evangelization, or to perish through our *failure* of success. That it is possible for the friends of this enterprise, with the means now at their disposal, to keep pace with all these increasing demands, to enter and reap down all these opening fields as the respective harvests ripen, cannot be denied; and from the clearest intimations of Providence, we may believe that nothing but the prompt and persistent use of these available means is now wanting to usher in the day which JEREMIAH EVARTS saw in vision, while he was yet with us:—when "the sun, as he rises on a Sabbath morning, and travels westward from New England to Oregon, shall behold countless millions assembling, as if by a common impulse, in the temples with which every valley, mountain and plain shall be adorned;" when "the morning psalm and evening anthem, commencing with the multitudes on the Atlantic coast, shall be sustained by the loud chorus of ten thousand times ten thousand in the valley of the Mississippi, and prolonged by the thousands of thousands on the shores of the Pacific."

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr.	The Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in account with Benjamin Perkins, Treasurer.	Cr.	
To cash paid Missionaries the past year, . . . . .	\$ 4,768 08	By balance last year, . . . . .	\$ 2,416 88
" " American Home Missionary Society, . . . . .	31,000 00	" Contributions and Legacies, . . . . .	35,700 85
" " Salaries, traveling expenses and incidentals, . . . . .	1,316 96	" Income from Fund, . . . . .	961 60
" " A. B. C. F. M. from Mrs. Osborne's Fund, . . . . .	77 00	" Income from Mrs. Osborne's Fund, . . . . .	77 00
Balance to new account, . . . . .	2,394 29	" Payment on Mortgage, . . . . .	400 00
	<u>\$ 39,546 33</u>		<u>\$ 39,546 33</u>

BOSTON, MAY 16, 1866.

BENJAMIN PERKINS, TREASURER.

BOSTON, MAY 22, 1866. In consequence of the illness of the Auditor, GEORGE ROOMS, Esq., I have, at the request of the Executive Committee of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, examined the above account of their Treasurer, and find the same correctly cast and properly vouched.

CHARLES SCUDDER.

NOTE.—In addition to the foregoing receipts, \$20,188 36, in the form of donations, contributions, and legacies, have been forwarded to the American Home Missionary Society from different parts of the State, which are not included in this Report, because they did not pass through this Treasury.

## DONATIONS,

From May 15, 1855, to May 15, 1856.

<i>Ashby</i> , Cent Soc. to const. Mrs. Nabby Blood L. M.	\$31 80
Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. John Foster L. M.	30 00
<i>Athol</i> , Rev. Mr. Norton's Soc. to const. Elias Bassett and Joab Kendall L. M.	68 00
Evan. Soc. to const. Rev. John F. Norton L. M.	30 00
<i>Attleboro'</i> , Fem. Benev. Soc. \$41 22; Ladies' Miss. Soc. \$25; a Lady, \$6,	72 22
<i>Abington, South</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. \$16 50, \$25,	41 50
Spencer Vining to const. him L. M.	30 00
<i>Amherst</i> , Mrs. Elizabeth Haven,	50 00
Estate of the late Rev. Joseph Haven,	50 00
North, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	40 30
1st Parish, Hon. E. Dickinson to const. Miss Susan H. Gilbert L. M.	30 00
1st Parish, Gent. and Lad. Benev. Soc.	196 00
<i>Andover</i> , Students in Phillips Academy to const. Charles P. Osborne L. M. Am.	
H. M. S.	44 75
South Parish, Cong. Soc.	173 85
North, Evan. Ch. and Soc. to const. Mrs. Susan Farnham, and Miss Hannah Osgood L. M. Am. H. M. S.	60 00
Ballard Vale, Ch. and Soc.	10 00
<i>Abington, East</i> , Rev. Mr. Walker's Soc.	21 50
<i>Amesbury and Salisbury</i> , Cong. Soc. \$20, \$20, \$30,	70 00
Legacy of Morrill Currier,	66 00
West, Rev. Mr. Thompson's Soc. to const. John Sargeant, Stephen Sargeant, Amos Small, and Mark W. Ricker L. M.	141 34
<i>Ashland</i> , Rev. Mr. Thayer's Soc. to const. Mrs. Hannah Whitaker L. M.	30 00
<i>Ashburnham</i> , Rev. J. D. Crosby and wife, \$3; Cong. Ch. and Soc. 8.81;	11 81
<i>Bridgewater, North</i> , Rev. Mr. Couch's Soc.	17 20
East, Trinitarian Ch. and Soc.	15 50
North, Porter, Evan. Ch. and Soc.	45 29
Trinit. Cong. Soc.	13 00
<i>Barre</i> , Evan. Cong. Soc.	98 65
<i>Braintree</i> , Rev. Dr. Storrs's Soc. quart. coll. \$18, \$25, \$25, \$16,	84 00
Ladies H. M. Soc. 1st parish, to const. Mrs. Susan A. Holbrook and Miss Ann N. Bowditch L. M. Am. H. M. S.	64 00
South Cong. Ch. and Soc.	5 00
Union Ch. Ladies, to const. Mrs. Charlotte Newcomb L. M.	36 00
1st Parish, mon. conc.	36 00
<i>Belchertown</i> , Ladies' Sew. Circle,	20 00
<i>Brookfield Mutual Assistance Soc.</i> S. M. Lane, Tr. viz.	
Sturbridge, \$81 85; Hardwick, \$77 03; New Braintree, \$60 50; Oakham, \$52; Contrib. of Conference, \$12 87,	284 25
<i>Brookfield</i> , Friends in Rev. Mr. Bragg's Soc.	5 00
West, Legacy of Mrs. Elizabeth Ellis, in part,	20 00
Cong. Soc. to const. Col. N. Pratt and Dea. Moses Hall L. M.	71 22
<i>Barnstable</i> , Centreville, Cong. Soc.	22 86
A Friend,	5 00
<i>Berkshire and Columbia H. M. Soc.</i> L. Church, Treas. \$200, \$100, \$200, \$30 of wh. from W. J. Bartlett, of Lee, to const. Moses Strong, Jr. L. M.	500 00
<i>Bedford</i> , Trinit. Ch. and Soc.	32 89
Fem. Charit. Soc.	6 00
<i>Beverly</i> , Washington Ch. and Soc. to const. Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Doyle L. M.	100 00
<i>Brookline</i> , Harvard Ch. and Soc.	115 00
<i>Bradford</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Rev. James McCollom, John Morse, Luther Johnson, Mary O. Locke, Emily Silsbee L. M.	158 00
Teachers and pupils in the academy,	30 00
<i>Belchertown</i> , Cong. Soc. Benev. Assoc. \$80; Ladies' Sew. Circle, \$20,	100 00
<i>Brighton</i> Evan. Cong. Soc.	72 41
<i>Billerica</i> , Rev. J. G. D. Stearns,	10 00
Evan. Cong. Soc. mon. conc.	35 00
<i>Brimfield</i> , Benev. Soc.	71 67
<i>Boston</i> , A Friend, 50 cts.; do. \$2; do. \$10,	12 50
A. L. and S. S. to const. Henry Blodgett, L. M.	30 00
Maverick Ch. and Soc.	85 58
Salem Street do.	117 59

<i>Boston</i> , Phillips Ch. and Soc. \$304 50; mon. conc. \$20,	\$324 50
Park Street do.	1,256 78
Mount Vernon do.	1,719 54
Old South do.	914 00
Shawmut do. \$447 50; mon. conc. \$36 50;	484 00
Essex Street do.	1,500 00
Central do.	670 24
Bowdoin St. do.	758 00
Pine Street do.	198 25
L. H. Gray,	5 00
A Lady, by J. Tappan,	5 00
<i>Cambridge</i> , Ladies' Miss. Assoc., Miss S. E. Albro, Tr.	60 00
Shepard Ch. and Soc. coll. \$154 36; mon. conc. \$43 61,	197 97
<i>Chatham</i> , Rev. Mr. Dickinson's Soc. to const. Dr. Joseph Atwood, Jr. L. M. Am. H. M. S.	30 65
Ladies' Benev. Assoc. to const. Mrs. Abby Attwood L. M.	30 00
<i>Cambridgeport</i> , 1st Cong. Ch. and Soc.	104 00
<i>Canton</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. \$10 16, \$10,	20 16
<i>Cohasset</i> , 2d Cong. Ch. and Soc.	44 75
<i>Conway</i> , Rev. Mr. Adams's Ch. and Soc. \$122 30; 137 46,	259 76
<i>Chazy</i> , N. Y. Mrs. Hannah Hubbell,	10 00
<i>Chelsea</i> , Winnisimmet Ch. and Soc.	198 86
Broadway Ch. and Soc.	56 45
<i>Charlestown</i> , 1st Ch. and Soc.	133 00
Winthrop Ch. and Soc.	460 00
<i>Clinton</i> , Rev. Mr. Winchester's Soc.	87 00
<i>Carver</i> , North, Ezra Lucas,	2 00
Cong. Soc.	7 00
<i>Curtisville</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	21 00
<i>Charlton</i> , Mrs. Susanna Rockwell,	1 00
<i>Dana</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	18 00
<i>Danvers</i> , Friends,	1 00
Legacy of James Brown, Esq.	100 00
3d Cong. Ch. Ladies' H. M. Soc.	56 24
<i>Dunstable</i> , Ladies' Sew. Circle to const. Mrs. Catharine H. Adams L. M.	30 00
Cong. Ch. and Soc.	34 37
<i>Dorchester</i> , Village Ch. Ladies' H. M. Soc.	48 66
Do. do. to const. Rev. T. S. Munger L. M.	49 22
Cong. Soc. 2d parish to const. Mrs. Hannah H. Quincy L. M. Am. H. M. S.	395 00
2d Parish Ladies' H. M. Soc.	176 00
Neponset H. M. Soc.	50 00
Mrs. E. Withington to const. Mrs. Clarissa Peirce L. M. Am. H. M. S.	30 00
<i>Dartmouth</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Mrs. Charlotte Baxter L. M.	44 00
<i>Dennis</i> , South, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	55 50
<i>Dedham</i> , Mrs. A. P. Burgess,	100 00
Rev. Dr. Burgess's Soc.	87 55
Do. do. Ladies' H. M. Soc.	47 00
<i>Dudley</i> , 1st Cong. Ch. and Soc.	60 14
Miss Maria Bates,	5 00
<i>Essex North Aux. Soc.</i> , J. Caldwell, Tr. viz :	
Newburyport, Rev. Dr. Dimmick's Soc. \$19 51; Rev. Mr. Campbell's Soc. \$36; Do. Female H. M. Soc. \$51, to const. Rev. R. Emerson, D. D. and Mrs. E. R. Emerson L. M. Am. H. M. S.	106 51
<i>Essex North</i> , Newburyport, Dr. Dimmick's Soc. \$110 34; Byfield Cong. Soc. \$19 77,	130 11
Conference at Lawrence,	18 00
Dr. Dimmick's Soc. mon. conc.	17 67
Rev. Mr. Fisk's Soc. Ladies, \$141 17; Gents. \$101 55 to const. Mrs. George Roof, Miss F. B. Banister, Mrs. Joseph Coffin, James M. Moore, Thomas Merrill, Jr., Ezra Trumbull L. M. Am. H. M. S.	242 72
<i>Eastham</i> , Literary Soc.	2 10
<i>Essex</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	55 82
<i>East Medway</i> , Mrs. H. Richardson. \$2; a friend, 75c.	2 75
<i>Enfield</i> , Benev. Soc. \$150 of wh. from friends to const. Rev. Erastus Curtis and Mrs. Curtis, H. L. Howard, A. H. Norcutt and Mrs. Norcutt, L. M. Am. H. M. S.	450 00
<i>Equinac</i> , Pa.—W. H. Hall,	5 00
<i>Easthampton</i> , Hon. Samuel Williston,	100 00
<i>East Douglas</i> , Cong. Ch. Soc.	75 00

<i>Fuh-chau, China</i> , Rev. C. Hartwell,		\$10 00
<i>Fall River</i> , Central Ch. \$30 of which from	her father to const. Miss Mary E.	
Remington L. M. Am. H. M. Soc.;	\$30 from S. A. Chase to const. him	
L. M. Am. H. M. S.		350 39
<i>Falmouth</i> , Mrs. Mercy Rogers,		2 00
Rev. Mr. Hooker's Soc. \$100, \$20,		120 00
North, Rev. Mr. Greene's Soc.		15 00
East, Dea. Hatch,		5 00
<i>Fairhaven</i> , Mr. Ephraim Pope to const. William H. Pope L. M. Am. H. M. S.		30 00
Cong. Ch. and Soc.		106 50
<i>Framingham</i> , A friend,		10 00
Hollis Evan. Soc. to const. Miss Augusta Marsh, Mrs. James W. Clark,		
and Mrs. Hollis Hastings L. M.		100 00
Do. Ladies' Benev. Soc.		32 50
<i>Freetown</i> , Rev. Mr. Corey's Soc.		2 00
<i>Fitchburg</i> , Calvinistic Soc. to const. Josiah Brown, D. F. Lowe, Mrs. Anna F,		
Deane, Mrs. Eunice Jaqueth, Mrs. Emily Wallace, Miss H. N. Crocker		189 14
L. M.		
Ladies' Sew. Soc. Rev. Mr. Willcox's Ch. to const. Mrs. Patience Dole,		132 00
Mrs. S. A. Noreross, Mrs. S. L. Cogshall, and Mrs. A. P. Proctor L. M.		15 25
Am. H. M. S.		23 00
<i>Franklin</i> , Cong. Soc.		4 00
North, Fem. Benev. Soc.		
<i>Foxboro'</i> , Cong. Soc.		
<i>Franklin County H. M. Soc.</i> S. S. Eastman, Tr. viz :		
Leverett, Cong. Soc. \$19 39; Ashfield, Gent's Asso. \$13 92; Do. La-		
diess' Benev. Asso. \$16 96; Montague, mon. conc. \$11 42; Warwick,		
Gent's Assoc. \$17 75; Ladies, \$16; mon. conc. \$8 75; Sab. School,		105 44
\$1 25,		
Do. Deerfield, South, 1st Cong. Soc. \$20 84; Orthodox Soc. \$20 13;		
Coleraine, Cong. Soc. \$9; Bernardston, Oriho. Soc. \$21 50; Sunder-		
land, W. Hunt, \$4; Rowe, Cong. Soc. \$3; Abigail and Jemima Bur-		
nep, \$10; South Deerfield, Monument, to const. Miss H. D. Palmer		132 30
L. M. \$30; Gill, Cong. Soc. \$13 30; Shutesbury, 50 cts.,		
Do. Rowe, Abijah Burbank, \$10; Montague, Cong. Soc. \$23 38; Leverett,		
Cong. Soc. \$16 96; Buckland, Cong. Soc. \$42 87; Greenfield, 2d		
Cong. Soc. \$33 23; Ladies' Sew. Soc. \$28 60 to const. Rev. James		
Cruikshank and James H. Newton L. M.; Shelburne, Ladies' Benev.		187 98
Asso. \$28 19; Gent's do. \$24 75; to const. Mrs. Mary H. Billings L. M.		
<i>Greenwich</i> , Ladies' H. M. Soc. to const. Mrs. Persis Pomroy and Mrs. Abel		
Alden L. M.		70 00
<i>General Assoc. of Massachusetts</i> , meeting at Northampton,		29 77
<i>Gloucester</i> , Lanesville, Ch. and Soc.		7 50
<i>Grafton</i> , Rev. Mr. Biscoe's Soc. to const. U. L. Linnell and Mrs. Lewis W.		
Dodge L. M.		60 00
<i>Gardner</i> , Rev. Mr. Paine's Soc.		13 00
<i>Grantville</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.		24 57
<i>Harmony Conference</i> , Meeting at Millbury,		27 22
Meeting at Webster, to const. Rev. Mr. Kendall L. M.		21 00
<i>Holland</i> , Ladies' H. M. Soc.		20 00
<i>Hadley</i> , Legacy of David W. Cook,		25 00
3d Ch. Benev. Soc. to const. Oliver E. Bonney and Mrs. H. Sophia Dick-		
inson L. M. Am. H. M. S.		60 00
North, Benev. Soc.		31 12
<i>Hatfield</i> , A friend,		10 00
<i>Hampden Co. H. M. Soc.</i> —H. Brewer, Jr., Tr. \$30 of wh. from Mrs. S. F.		
Miller to const. her L. M. Am. H. M. S.		318 00
Do. of which \$368 a legacy of William Freeland, late of Feeding Hills, and		
\$50 legacy of Miss Mary Burt, East Longmeadow,		666 00
Do. of which \$30 from 3d Ch. Chicopee, to const. Charles L. Pepper L. M.;		
\$30 from Cong. Soc., Huntington, to const. Rev. T. Walker L. M.;		
\$30 from Ladies' Benev. Soc., North Wilbraham, to const. Mrs. Caro-		
line Burt L. M.		500 00
<i>Haverhill</i> , Centre Cong. Ch. to const. Mrs. Simeon Coburn, Mrs. Elias T. Ingalls,		
Miss Elizabeth Ayer, Benjamin Kimball, 2d, and Charles Bradley L. M.		144 83
East, Rev. Mr. Lewis's Soc.		23 00
<i>Hubbardston</i> , Legacy of Miss Jerusha Clemens,		521 83
<i>Hingham</i> , Rev. E. P. Dyer's Soc.		8 00
Miss Tamah Wilder to const. her L. M.		30 00
<i>Halifax</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.		13 19
<i>Hinsdale</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.		123 00

<i>Hopkinton</i> , 1st Ch. and Soc.	\$11 00
<i>Holiston</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Dr. Timothy Fisk and William S. Hatchelder L. M.	100 00
<i>Housatonic</i> , Cong. So. to const. Charles Taylor L. M. Am. H. M. S.	30 00
<i>Ipswich</i> , Rev. Mr. Southgate's Soc.	111 25
<i>Kingston</i> , Evan. Ch. and Soc. to const. Mrs. Sarah Holmes L. M.	37 44
<i>Littleton</i> , Evan. Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Rev. Elihu Loomis L. M.	39 42
Evan. Cong. Ch. and Soc.	20 00
Rev. E. Loomis,	50
<i>Lynn</i> , Legacy of Miss Susan D. Breed,	50 00
Central Ch. and Soc. to const. Rev. Jotham B. Sewell L. M.	30 00
<i>Lynnfield Centre</i> , Cong. Soc. in full to const. Rev. U. W. Condit L. M.	20 00
<i>London, Eng.</i> , Miss E. H. Watson,	10 00
<i>Lakeville</i> , Cong. Soc.	38 00
Mr. Job. F. Tobey, \$50, \$5,	55 00
<i>Lawrence</i> , Lawrence St. Ch. and Soc.	44 40
Sylvia Howe to const. her L. M.	30 00
Central Cong. Ch. and Soc.	58 47
<i>Lowell</i> , High Street Ch. and Soc.	23 78
John Street Ch. and Soc.	121 98
Kirk Street Ch. and Soc. \$30 of wh. from Harriet J. Ward to const. Anne M. W. Ward L. M. Am. H. M. S.	380 42
Mrs. E. M. Reed,	10 00
Appleton Street Ch.	104 00
<i>Leominster</i> , Evan. Soc.	30 21
<i>Lincoln</i> , Female Juv. Soc.	33 00
Cong. Soc. to const. Mrs. Edith P. Stone L. M.	33 00
<i>Manchester</i> , Female Miss. Soc. to const. Mrs. O. A. Taylor L. M.	30 00
Cong. Ch. and Soc.	27 12
<i>Millbury</i> , 1st Cong. Ch. and Soc.	76 08
<i>Marlboro'</i> , Mr. Jabez Stow,	50 00
Ladies' Benev. Soc. to const. Mrs. Nancy Field L. M.	30 00
Rev. Mr. Field's Soc.	37 00
<i>Medfield</i> , Miss Harriet Smith,	1 50
Miss Sarah A. Goodale,	1 00
<i>Milton</i> , 1st Evan. Ch. donation of Mrs. F. Davenport, dec'd,	5 00
<i>Marblehead</i> , 1st Cong. Ch. and Soc.	150 00
<i>Medford</i> , 2d Cong. Soc. to const. George S. Wheelwright and Roland Jacobs L. M.	80 34
<i>Manchester, Eng.</i> A. S. Thornton, Esq.	150 00
<i>Middlesex North Aux. Soc.</i> —C. Lawrence, Tr. viz :	
Boxboro', \$9 75; Harvard, \$52 68; Lunenburg, to const. Mrs. Mary Gibson L. M. \$30 58; Groton, to const. John Rockwell and Willard Torrey L. M. \$64; Shirley, \$11 35,	168 36
<i>Medway</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	22 00
East, 1st Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Milton Daniels L. M.	32 25
<i>Marshfield</i> , 1st Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Otis Baker L. M.	39 00
<i>Mendon</i> , Evan. Cong. Ch. and Soc.	15 00
<i>Middleboro'</i> , Central Cong. Ch. and Soc.	34 38
<i>Middlefield</i> , Cong. Soc.	24 10
<i>New Bedford</i> , Trinitarian Ch. and Soc.	58 65
North Cong. Ch. and Soc.	78 05
Pacific Ch. and Soc. to const. Eliphalet Daggett L. M.	30 00
Do. to const. Samuel Bennett, G. S. Newcomb, Thomas H. Soule L. M. Am. H. M. S.	100 00
<i>Newburyport</i> , Legacy of Hon. W. B. Banister, in part, \$80, \$250,	330 00
<i>Newbury West</i> , 2d Parish,	12 45
<i>Newtonville</i> , Samuel Stanton to const. Mrs. C. Stanton L. M. Am. H. M. S.	50 00
<i>Newton</i> , Bal. of Contrib. Eliot Soc. 1854,	8 11
1st Ch. and Soc. \$33 87; mon. conc. \$36 47,	70 34
Do. \$20, \$32 57,	52 57
Eliot Soc. \$44 67; mon. conc. \$43 65,	88 32
Centre, Henry Wenzell,	20 00
Do. Ladies' Soc.	30 00
West, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	77 76
Do. Mrs. E. M. Babcock,	20 00
<i>Norfolk Conference</i> , Coll. at meeting, \$42 30, \$24 05,	66 35
<i>New Ipswich, N. H.</i> Mrs. Joanna F. Thayer,	12 00

<i>Northbridge</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	\$12 00
<i>Needham, West</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	10 00
<i>New Braintree</i> , Legacy of Welcome Newell,	30 00
<i>Oxford</i> , 1st Cong. Ch. and Soc.	81 45
<i>Orleans</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Mrs. Eliza A. R. White L. M.	30 00
<i>Petersham</i> , Miss Nancy Gates.	1 00
Rev. Mr. Foster's Ch. and Soc.	11 00
<i>Plymouth</i> , 2d Cong. Ch. to const. Rev. D. H. Babcock L. M.	30 00
Ladies' Assoc. Ch. of the Pilgrimage to const. Mrs. Rebecca A. Johnson L. M.	37 75
<i>Phillipston</i> , Avails of a gold necklace by Miss Betsey Smith, dec'd,	5 00
<i>Prince Edward Co. Va.</i> Mrs. A. H. Whitaker,	5 00
<i>Pittsfield</i> , South Cong. Ch. and Parish,	57 47
<i>Plympton</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	8 67
<i>Provincetown</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	11 40
<i>Pepperell</i> , Evan. Cong. Ch.	27 35
<i>Quincy</i> , Evan. Ch. Ladies' Soc.	12 00
Evan. Ch.	15 00
<i>Royalston</i> , Female Benev. Soc. to const. Miss Laura Nichols L. M.	33 00
Rev. E. W. Bullard's Soc.	94 76
<i>Rowley</i> , Rev. Mr. Pike's Soc.	50 40
<i>Randolph, West</i> , Rev. Mr. Cordley's Soc.	45 31
East Parish Cong. Ch. and Soc.	31 80
<i>Rochester</i> , Ladies' H. M. Soc. to const. Mrs. Emily F. Sturtevant L. M.	51 00
<i>Roxbury</i> , Eliot Ch. and Soc.	556 48
<i>Southboro'</i> , Evan. Cong. Soc.	13 25
Do. to const. Rev. Ezekiel D. Rockwood L. M.	31 83
<i>Savannah, Ga.</i> Ralph Dunning, Esq.	22 00
<i>Shirley</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	10 00
<i>Spencer</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Rev. S. G. Dodd L. D. and Mrs. E. S. Dodd L. M. Am. H. M. S.	160 00
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 Rice, Mrs Tryphena, do  
 Rice, Mrs Eleazer, Ashby  
 Rice, Mrs John, do  
 Richardson, Mrs Nancy B., Sudbury  
 Richmond, Rev T. T., West Roxbury  
 Richmond, Mrs R. H., do  
 Ricker, Mark W., Amesbury  
 Roberts, Rev Jacob, Fairhaven  
 Robbins, John P., Littleton  
 Robinson, Mrs Hannah, Webster  
 Robinson, Rev R. T., Winchester  
 Robinson, Mrs R. T., do  
 Robinson, Mrs Stephen, Dorchester  
 Rockwell, John, Groton  
 Rockwood, Benjamin, Wrentham  
 Rockwood, Rev E. D., Southboro'  
 Rockwood, Rev Otis, Boston  
 Rogers, Danford, Warren  
 Rogers, Ebenezer, Newburyport  
 Rogers, John, do  
 \*Rogers, Rev William M., Boston  
 \*Rogers, Mrs Adelia S., do  
 Root, Harvey, West Springfield  
 Root, Mrs Jerusha B., Hyfield  
 Root, Mrs John, Greenwich  
 Root, Mrs J., Enfield  
 Ropes, Rev William L., Wrentham  
 Rowe, Elisha S., Sunderland  
 Rowe, Mrs Phoebe L., Stoneham  
 Ruggles, Miss P. A., Ware Village  
 Russell, Miss Catharine, Kingston  
 Russell, Emmons, Sunderland  
 Russell, Rev Ezekiel, Randolph  
 Russell, Frederick R., Sunderland  
 Russell, John W., do  
 Russell, Porter, Newburyport  
 Russell, Samuel, South Adams  
 Ryder, James, Dartmouth  
 Sabin, Rev Lewis, Templeton  
 Sackman, Mrs George W., Newbury  
 Sage, O., Ware  
 Sage, Mrs R. P., do  
 Sage, Miss S. R., do  
 Salisbury, Stephen, Medway Village  
 \*Salisbury, Josiah, Boston  
 Salisbury, Stephen, do  
 Sampson, Charles, Marshfield  
 Sanderson, Abraham, Lunenburg  
 Sanderson, Apollon, Sunderland  
 Sanderson, Asa, Ashfield  
 Sanderson, George, Winchester  
 Sanford, Rev B., East Bridgewater  
 Sanford, Rev David, Medway  
 Sanford, Mrs David, do  
 Sanford, Rev Enoch, Raynham  
 Sanford, E. H., Worcester  
 Sanford, Mrs E. H., do  
 Sanford, Ichabod, Belchertown  
 Sanford, Rev James, Holland  
 Sanford, Rev John, Amherst  
 Sanford, Mrs N. W., Attleboro'



Sargent, Stephen, Amesbury  
 Sargeant Abner, West Amesbury  
 Sargeant, John, Amesbury  
 Sargeant, John B., do  
 Sargeant, Mrs M., Milton  
 Sargeant, Orlando, Amesbury  
 Sargeant, Richard, do  
 Sargeant, Stephen, do  
 Sawin, Rev F. P., Harwich  
 Sawyer, Mrs H. E., Fitchburg  
 Sawyer, Mrs Jeremiah, Newburyport  
 Seabury, P. G., New Bedford  
 Seabury, Miss Sarah, Taunton  
 Searl, Mrs Emily A., Marblehead  
 Searle, Rev J., Lynnfield  
 Sessions, W. H., Warren  
 Sewall, Rev Jotham B., Lynn  
 Seymour, Rev Henry, Hawley  
 Shankland, Miss Chloe, Randolph  
 Shaw, Abiathar L., Medway  
 Shaw, G., Enfield  
 Shaw, Samuel, Newburyport  
 Shaw, Theron V., Weymouth  
 Shedd, Mrs Mary, Abington  
 Sheldon, Rev L., Easton  
 Shepard, Calvin, Ashland  
 Shepard, Nathaniel F., Foxboro'  
 Shepard, Rev Thomas, Bristol, R. I.  
 Sherburne, Miss Catharine, Dorchester  
 Sherman, Asahel, Wayland  
 Sherwin, Edmund P., Buckland  
 \*Shumway, Rev C., Townsend  
 Sibley, Nathaniel, Waltham  
 Sikes, Rev Oren, Bedford  
 Sikes, Mrs Julia K., do  
 Silsbee, Miss Emily, Bradford  
 Simmons, Rev Charles, Wrentham North  
 Simmons, Lewis, Jr., South Marshfield  
 Simmons, Mrs N. S., Ware  
 Simonds, Alvan, Boston  
 \*Simonds, Artemas, do  
 Simonds, Mrs Mary J., do  
 Skinner, Miss Charity, Shelburne  
 Skinner, Jairus, Ware  
 Slate, Miss Catharine S., Barnardston  
 Small, Amos, Amesbury  
 Smiley, Francis, do  
 Smith, Rev Asa B., Buckland  
 Smith, Alvarus, Waltham  
 Smith, Edmund M., Sunderland  
 \*Smith, Rev Ethan, Hanover  
 Smith, Edward, Fitchburg  
 \*Smith, Rev George P., Worcester  
 Smith, Joel, Whitinsville  
 Smith, Mrs Lucy, No. Becket  
 Smith, M. Hale, Boston  
 Smith, Mrs M. H., do  
 Smith, Miss Lucinda, do  
 Smith, Mrs Humphrey, West Roxbury  
 \*Smith, Nathaniel, Sunderland  
 Smith, Peter, Andover  
 Smith, Miss Rebecca, do  
 Smith, Brame, Sunderland  
 Smith, Rev S. S., Warren  
 Smith, Mrs Lucretia B., do  
 Smith, Rev T. M. Gambia, O.  
 Smith, Nathaniel, Newburyport  
 Smith, Mrs Eliza, do  
 Smith, Rev H. B., New York  
 Smith, N. A., Sunderland  
 Smith, Miss Susan W., Boston  
 Snell, Melvin, Sturbridge  
 Snell, Thomas, D. D., North Brookfield  
 Snow, Mark, Chatham  
 Southworth, John, Dartmouth  
 Spaulding, Leonard, Millbury  
 Spaulding, Mrs Lyman, Ware  
 Spiller, Henry, Newburyport  
 Spring, John H., do  
 Spring, Rev Samuel, East Hartford  
 Staples, Samuel, Dartmouth  
 \*Starkweather, E., Williamstown  
 Stearns, Mrs J., Fitchburg

Stearns, Mrs J. F., Newark, N. J.  
 Stearns, Rev J. G. D., Billerica  
 \*Stearns, Rev Samuel, Bedford  
 Stearns, Miss Abigail, do  
 Steele, Rev J. M., Winchester  
 Stetson, William, Marlboro'  
 Stevens, Mrs Elizabeth, Stoneham  
 Stevens, Miss Hannah, do  
 Stevens, Mrs M. J. G., do  
 Stickney, Mrs Annot, Amesbury  
 Stickney, Mrs Jane, do  
 Stockbridge, Mrs Abigail, North Hadley  
 Stockman, Mrs S. E., West Roxbury  
 Stockwell, Leonard, Grafton  
 Stone, Albert, do  
 Stone, Rev Cyrus, Boston  
 Stone, Eben., Saxonville  
 Stone, Mrs. Edith P., Lincoln  
 Stone, Levi, Greenfield  
 Stone, Luther, East Douglas  
 \*Stone, Rev Micah, Brookfield  
 Stone, Rev Rollin S., East Hampton  
 Stone, Rev T. D. P., Westboro'  
 Stone, Mrs Phebe C., do  
 Storrs, R. S., D. D., Braintree  
 \*Storrs, Mrs R. S., do  
 Storrs, Mrs Ann, do  
 Storrs, Rev R. S., Jr., Brooklyn, N. Y.  
 Street, Philo W., West Springfield  
 Strong, Lewis, Northampton  
 Strong, Moses, Jr., Lee  
 Sturtevant, Mrs Emily F., Rochester  
 Styles, Phineas, Warwick  
 Sumner, Miss Hannah M., Newburyport  
 Sumner, John, do  
 Swan, Joseph C., Sunderland  
 \*Swan, Mrs Ruth, Dorchester  
 Swallow, Rev J. E., Wilmington  
 Swallow, Joseph, Dunstable  
 Sweet, Joseph, Shelburne  
 Sweet, Miss Laurita, Attleboro'  
 Sweetser, Howard, Amherst  
 Sweetser, Miss Sally, Newburyport  
 Sweetser, Mrs Sarah A., Stoneham  
 Sweetser, Luke, Amherst  
 Taft, Miss Amanda, Uxbridge  
 Taft, Merrick, Northbridge  
 Tappan, John, Boston  
 Tappan, Mrs Mary, Haverhill  
 Tappan, Rev S. S., Providence, R. I.  
 Taylor, A. H., Heath  
 Taylor, Cyrus, Dunstable  
 Taylor, Edward, Andover  
 Taylor, Isaac, do  
 \*Taylor, Rev James, Sunderland  
 Taylor, Rev John, Northbridge  
 Taylor, Rev J., Wenham  
 Taylor, John, Medford  
 Taylor, Mrs Mary, Manchester  
 Taylor, Mrs O. A., do  
 Taylor, O. M., Yarmouth  
 Taylor, Miss Rebecca, Ashby  
 Taylor, Rev R., Manchester  
 Taylor, Mrs Esther W., do  
 Taylor, Samuel, Worcester  
 Taylor, Samuel S., Dunstable  
 Teel, John, Newburyport  
 Teel, Miss Sarah E., do  
 Teele, Mrs Cornelia C., Milton  
 Tenney, Miss S. G., do  
 Tenney, Rev Francis V., Byfield  
 Terry, Rev James, South Weymouth  
 Thatcher, Rev Tyler, California  
 Thatcher, Matthew, South Dartmouth  
 Thatcher, Samuel, Yarmouth  
 Thayer, Miss L. W., Boston  
 Thayer, Miss Susan, Natick  
 Thayer, Mrs Susan, North Braintree  
 Thayer, Rev William M., Ashland  
 Thayer, Mrs Rebecca M., do  
 Thomas, Asa, Plymouth  
 \*Thomas, Rev D., Abington  
 Thompson, Rev A. C., Roxbury

Thompson, Rev L., South Hadley  
 Thorndike, Mrs Israel, Boston  
 Thompson, Mrs Martha C., Southboro'  
 Thurlow, Samuel, Newburyport  
 Thurston, Mrs., Boston  
 Tidd, Samuel, Warren  
 Tileston, Edward G., Waltham  
 Tileston, Rev W., Charlemont  
 \*Tinker, Rev Oreamus, Ashby  
 Tinkham, Jesse, Enfield  
 Titcomb, Mrs H. M., Newburyport  
 Titus, Mrs Sally, Westminster  
 Toby, Job T., Rochester  
 Tolman, Rev R., Tewksbury  
 Tolman, James, Ware Village  
 Tolman, Joseph, Ware  
 Tolman, Mrs Hannah, Dorchester  
 Tolman, William E., do  
 \*Tomlinson, Rev D., Oakham  
 Torrance, Mrs J., Enfield  
 Torrey, Willard, Groton  
 Torrey, Ziba, Attleboro'  
 Tower, Mrs A. D., Cummington  
 Tower, H. L., do  
 Towne, Salem, Charlton  
 \*Townsend, Rev S., Shelburne  
 Tracy, Rev Hiram A., Cincinnati, O.  
 Tracy, Mrs H. A., do  
 Train, Nathaniel, Enfield  
 Trask, Daniel, do  
 Trask, Mrs Mary, do  
 Trask, Charles H., Manchester  
 Tremlett, Mrs Thomas, Dorchester  
 Torrey, Charles W., Abington  
 Torrey, John E., do  
 Torrey, Miss Miranda, do  
 Truscott, Mrs Lois, Dorchester  
 Tucker, Mrs Catharine, do  
 Tucker, Ephraim, Ware  
 Tucker, Jesse, Milton  
 Tucker, Lewis, do  
 Tucker, Mrs Susanna, Dorchester  
 Tucker, Mark, D. D., Wethersfield, Ct.  
 Tucker, Mrs Nathan, Milton  
 Tupper, Rev Martyn, Hardwick  
 Tucker, Nathan, Milton  
 Turner, N. G., Sunderland  
 Tuttle, Miss Sarah, Boston  
 Tuttle, Thomas S., Littleton  
 Tyler, Mrs Fanny, Attleboro'  
 Tyler, Rev William, Northampton  
 Underwood, A. G., Oxford  
 Underwood, Mrs E. A., do  
 Underwood, Rev G. W., Charlton  
 Upham, Otis, Waltham  
 Upton, Mrs Dorinda F., Buckland  
 Upton, Mrs Sophia M., Fitchburg  
 Utley, Rev Samuel, Austerlitz, N. Y.  
 Valentine, Mrs Joanna C., Cambridge  
 Viles, Jonas, Waltham  
 Vining, Spencer, Abington, South  
 Vining, W. O., No. Wilbraham  
 Vinton, Miss Eliza A., Boston  
 Vinton, Josiah, do  
 Virgin, Miss Hannah, do  
 \*Voss, Thomas, do  
 Voss, William H., Fitchburg  
 Wait, Miss Rebecca, Medford  
 Wales, Thomas, North Bridgewater  
 Walker, Amasa, North Brookfield  
 Walker, Mrs Hannah, Sturbridge  
 Walker, Rev H. D., Abington  
 Walker, Miss Mary, Greenwich  
 Walker, Oramel, Enfield  
 \*Walker, Rev Samuel, Danvers  
 Walker, Rev Townsend, Huntington  
 Wallace, Mrs Emily, Fitchburg  
 Walley, S. H., Roxbury  
 Ware, Rev Samuel, Deerfield  
 Ward, Mrs Clarissa P., Warren  
 Ward, Rev James W., Abington  
 \*Ward, Mrs J. W., do  
 Ward, Jonathan, Buckland

Ward, Mrs John, Enfield  
 Warner, Mrs S., do  
 Ward, Mrs Mary Ann, Newton  
 Warner, W. R., Sunderland  
 Warren, Jonas, do  
 Warren, Mrs Sidney S., do  
 Warren, Nathan, Waltham  
 Warren, Mrs Sarah, do  
 Warren, Leander, Leicester  
 Warren, Mrs Nancy, Greenwich  
 Warren, Rev W., Uxbridge  
 Warren, William A., Winchester  
 Washburn, Horatio, Kingston  
 Waters, Rev I., Chesterfield  
 Webb, Mrs Susan, Greenwich  
 Welch, Mrs Sally, Manchester  
 Welch, Simeon, Baverhill, North  
 Wells, Rev J. H., Yarmouth  
 Wells, William H., Newburyport  
 Wetherbee, Josiah, Waltham  
 Wetherbee, Merrick, Lunenburg  
 Wheeler, Mrs E. M., Conway  
 Wheeler, Rev M. G., Newton  
 Wheelock, Hiram H., Hartford, Wis.  
 Wheelock, Elizabeth D., do  
 Wheelwright, George S., Medford  
 Whidden, Miss Catharine F., Marblehead  
 Whipple, Charles, Newburyport  
 Whipple, Henry, Salem  
 Whipple, Justin B., East Douglas  
 Whipple, Moses K., Warren  
 Whitcomb, Miss Abby B., Templeton  
 Whitcomb, David, do  
 Whitcomb, Mrs Margaret, do  
 Whitcomb, Rev W. C., Stoneham  
 White, Alfred, West Brookfield  
 \*White, Bailey, Randolph  
 White, Mrs E. A. E., Orleans  
 White, Rev O. H., Westminster  
 White, Rev Seneca, Marshfield  
 White, Mrs Susan H., Marblehead  
 Whitin, James F., Whitinsville  
 Whitin, Paul, Northbridge  
 Whiting, Rev F. L., Gill  
 Whiting, Rev Lyman, Reading  
 Whitney, Josiah, Westminster  
 Whitney, Mrs Mary A., Waltham  
 Whitney, Miss Elizabeth J., do  
 Whitmarsh, Joshua, Abington  
 Whittaker, Mrs Hannah, Ashland  
 Whittemore, Benjamin F., Boston  
 Whittemore, Mrs B. F., do  
 Whittemore, B. F., Jr., do  
 Whittemore, M., West Roxbury  
 Wight, Rev Daniel, Scituate  
 Wilcox, Rev B. G., Fitchburg  
 \*Wilbur, Rev Hervey, Newburyport  
 Wilbur, Joseph, Taunton  
 Wilder, Charles W., Winchester  
 \*Wilder, Rev John, Cambridge  
 Wilder, J. D., Middleboro'  
 Wilder, Mrs Mary Ann, Braintree  
 Wilder, Rev M. H., Harwich  
 Wilder, Miss Tamar, Hingham  
 Wilkins, Mrs Cyrus K., Middleton  
 Wilkinson, Rev E., Abington  
 Willard, Mrs Lucy, Cambridge  
 Wiley, Mrs Susan, Stoneham  
 Willey, Rev Worcester, Ashby  
 \*Williams, Rev A., Dudley  
 Williams, Miss Abby, Taunton  
 Williams, Abel B., Northbridge  
 Williams, Rev Dillon, Feedinghills  
 Williams, Joseph, Newburyport  
 \*Williams, Rev S. P., do  
 Williams, Thomas S., Winchester  
 Willis, Nathaniel, Boston  
 Williston, Samuel, Easthampton  
 Wilson, Rev Thomas, Westford  
 Winslow, Daniel R., Ware  
 \*Wisner, Benjamin B., D. D., Boston  
 Wiswell, William, West Roxbury  
 Witherell, Stephen B., Ware

Withington, Miss Eliza, Dorchester  
 Wolcott, Rev Samuel, Providence, R. I.  
 Wolcott, Mrs Samuel, do  
 Wood, Mrs Abby M., Athol  
 Wood, Aaron, Westminster  
 Wood, B. F., do  
 Wood, Rev C. W., Ashby  
 Wood, Mrs Catharine S., do  
 \*Wood, Mrs E. A. W., do  
 Wood, Horatio G., Middleboro'  
 Wood, Rev Luke, Somers, Ct.  
 Wood, Mrs Polly, Enfield  
 Wood, Mrs Zenas, do  
 Wood, S. F., Chelmsford  
 Woodbridge, John, D. D., Hadley  
 \*Woodbury, Rev B., Palmouth  
 Woodbury, Rev James T., Acton

Woodford, Mrs Hannah, Boston  
 Woodman, Rev H. A., Newburyport  
 Woodman, Joseph, do  
 Woods, Joseph W., Boston  
 \*Woods, Leonard, D. D., Andover  
 Woodward, Miss Harriet, Newton  
 \*Worcester, Samuel, D. D., Salem  
 Worcester, Samuel M., D. D., do  
 Worcester, Mrs Z., do  
 Wright, Albert J., Boston  
 Wright, Asahel, Deerfield  
 Wright, Rev Luther, East Hampton  
 Wright, Mrs Martha, Phillipston  
 Wyman, Mrs Anna F., Fitchburg  
 Wyman, Marshall, Woburn  
 Yale, Mrs Sarah S., South Reading  
 Youngman, D., Winchester

### Rules, Regulations and By-Laws of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

"As the object of the Society is to diffuse the knowledge of the Gospel of Jesus Christ among the heathen and others in destitute places," they therefore agree to adopt the following Rules, &c.

ARTICLE I. The officers of the Society shall be a President, Vice President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and twenty Trustees, chosen annually by ballot.

II. It shall be the duty of the President to regulate the meetings of the Society, and, *ex-officio*, to act as one of the Board of Trustees; seven of whom shall constitute a quorum for business, at any meeting regularly convened.

III. The Trustees shall, immediately after each Annual Meeting of the Society, appoint an Executive Committee of seven, (including the Secretary and Treasurer,) residing in Boston and its vicinity; four of whom shall be a quorum at any regular meeting. This Committee shall have power to appoint its own meetings, form its own rules of business, fill any vacancy in its own number which may occur during the year, and convene special meetings of the Trustees or Society: they shall examine and appoint Missionaries, and direct them as to their labors;—it being understood that none shall be employed as Missionaries, except those who exhibit credible evidence of experimental piety, and of that Christian zeal, wisdom, information and diligence, which are adequate to the arduous work of Evangelists, in the most self-denying circumstances. This Committee shall also manage and dispose of the Society's property, and transact all the concerns of the Society, not otherwise assigned; and shall make report, at each Annual Meeting, of the labor and success of the Missionaries, and exhibit a particular account of their own transactions.

IV. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to conduct the correspondence of the Society, keep an accurate record of its proceedings, and exhibit them whenever required.

V. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and hold the property of the Society, to answer the orders of the Executive Committee, and to make a report at every Annual Meeting of the Society. He shall also give bonds, from time to time, to such amount as the Executive Committee shall think proper.

VI. Any person may become a Member of this Society by paying two dollars to the Treasurer for the use of the Society; and shall be considered as retaining his membership and obliged to pay two dollars annually, until his desire to discontinue his connection with the Society be expressed to the Treasurer. Any person may become a Life Member of this Society by paying into the treasury thirty dollars at one time.

VII. The Society shall meet at Boston to transact their annual business on the Tuesday preceding the last Wednesday in May, of each year, at ten o'clock, A. M. A public meeting shall also be held annually in the same city, on the evening of the same day; to be conducted in such manner as the Executive Committee shall

direct; and an annual sermon shall be preached at the time and place of the meeting of the General Association of Massachusetts, by some person appointed by said Association, and a collection taken in aid of the funds of the Society. An annual delegation may be sent to the General Association of Massachusetts, on such terms as may be agreed upon by the two bodies.

VIII. These Rules and Regulations shall be subject to any amendments and improvements which this Society shall think proper to adopt; but no amendments shall be adopted, except by the vote of two-thirds of the members present at an annual meeting; nor unless the same shall have been recommended by the Executive Committee.

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The policy and general principles of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society may be summarily stated thus:—

1. To assist feeble churches and societies in sustaining their ministers.
  2. To give only such aid as will meet the deficiency after they have paid at least *one per cent.* of their taxable property.
  3. In no case to grant over \$200 per annum to the same missionary flock.
  4. To afford help only to such as, by reason of *distance*, cannot go to other churches of their own order.
  5. To pledge no sum of money for a longer period than one year.
  6. To require of each missionary a statistical report of his field annually; and quarterly reports if he desires quarterly payments.
  7. To require feeble churches to fulfill their engagements with their pastors each year before they renew their application for aid.
- In applying these general rules, which, of course, must be modified somewhat to meet all conceivable cases, the Committee usually give the strongest encouragement to such parishes as (other things being equal) have *settled pastors*; and the least to those which subsist on occasional supplies;—while they have ceased to make any appropriation at all where the preacher does not reside among the people.

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Extract from the Fiftieth Annual Report of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, pp. 10—11.

The Massachusetts Missionary Society, and the Domestic Missionary Society of Massachusetts, pursuing objects so nearly allied, it was not possible that they should proceed far without finding out some way of accomplishing the design of both, through one and the same organization. At the third annual meeting of the Domestic Missionary Society, viz. in 1821, the subject began to be agitated, and the Directors of that Society were instructed to confer with the Trustees of the other respecting articles of union; whereupon the other appointed a committee to confer with them. These conferences were annually renewed and progress reported, for several years. Two providential circumstances kept the subject alive and hastened the result which was

finally reached. The cry that came from evangelical churches driven from their sanctuaries for adhering to the faith on which they were founded, was waxing louder and louder throughout the Commonwealth; and yet the Massachusetts Missionary Society was compelled, by the restrictions of its charter, to stop its ears against that cry, and to withhold its funds from their relief. On the other hand, the Domestic Missionary Society of Massachusetts was equally restrained, by its constitution, from answering the calls from new settlements beyond the Alleghanies, that were beginning to thrill the heart of New England. The following resolution, passed at their annual meeting in 1826, testifies alike to their benevolence and their embarrassment, in reference to this western movement:—"Resolved, That this Society regard with great satisfaction, the establishment of the American Home Missionary Society; and though limited by the third Article of our Constitution to the assistance of needy churches and parishes in Massachusetts, we yet rejoice to become auxiliary to the National Institution, so far as our influence and correspondence may aid its efforts to supply the means of grace to all the waste places of our common country." At length, after procuring from the Legislature such an alteration in the charter of the old Society, and adopting such articles from the constitution of the new, as would enable them to meet both these great demands of Providence, a union of the two organizations was mutually consummated on the 11th of July, 1827, under the name and charter of the Massachusetts Missionary Society; which, by the same act, was also made auxiliary to the American Home Missionary Society, instituted at New York the year preceding.

## SYSTEMATIC CONTRIBUTIONS.

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THE following plan for systematic contributions in Massachusetts to the various objects of benevolence here specified, was recommended by the General Association of the State, at their meeting in Ipswich, June 24, 1840, and has been extensively adopted by the local Associations and Conferences. The necessity for *some* uniform system has long been felt, and it is hoped that this will meet the approbation of all.

### 1. BOSTON AND VICINITY.

According to the arrangement made by these churches in 1833.

Foreign Missions, *January*.  
Education Society, *February*.  
City Missions, *April*.  
Sabbath Schools, *June*.  
Home Missions, *September*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *October*.  
Tract Society, *November*.

### 2. ESSEX COUNTY AND ANDOVER ASSOCIATION.

Bible Society, *December and January*.  
Foreign Missions, *February and March*.  
Education Society, *April and May*.  
Home Missions, *June and July*.  
Tract Society, *August and September*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *October*.  
Sabbath School Society, *November*.

### 3. MIDDLESEX UNION AND WOBURN ASSOCIATIONS.

Bible Society, *January and February*.  
Foreign Missions, *March and April*.  
Education Society, *May and June*.  
Home Missions, *July and August*.  
Tract Society, *September and October*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *November*.  
Sabbath School Society, *December*.

### 4. NORFOLK COUNTY AND CONFERENCE, AND MENDON ASSOCIATION.

Bible Society, *February and March*.  
Foreign Missions, *April and May*.  
Education Society, *June and July*.  
Home Missions, *August and September*.  
Tract Society, *October and November*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *December*.  
Sabbath School Society, *January*.

### 5. BERKSHIRE COUNTY.

Bible Society, *March and April*.  
Foreign Missions, *May and June*.  
Education Society, *July and August*.  
Home Missions, *September and October*.  
Tract Society, *November and December*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *January*.  
Sabbath School Society, *February*.

### 6. HAMPDEN COUNTY.

Bible Society, *April and May*.  
Foreign Missions, *June and July*.  
Education Society, *August and September*.  
Home Missions, *October and November*.  
Tract Society, *December and January*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *February*.  
Sabbath School Society, *March*.

### 7. HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.

Bible Society, *May and June*.  
Foreign Missions, *July and August*.  
Education Society, *September and October*.  
Home Missions, *November and December*.  
Tract Society, *January and February*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *March*.  
Sabbath School Society, *April*.

### 8. FRANKLIN COUNTY AND WORCESTER NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Bible Society, *June and July*.  
Foreign Missions, *August and September*.  
Education Society, *October and November*.  
Home Missions, *December and January*.  
Tract Society, *February and March*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *April*.  
Sabbath School Society, *May*.

### 9. WORCESTER CENTRAL AND BROOKFIELD ASSOCIATIONS.

Bible Society, *July and August*.  
Foreign Missions, *September and October*.  
Education Society, *November and December*.  
Home Missions, *January and February*.  
Tract Society, *March and April*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *May*.  
Sabbath School Society, *June*.

### 10. MIDDLESEX SOUTH AND HARMONY CONFERENCES.

Bible Society, *August and September*.  
Foreign Missions, *October and November*.  
Education Society, *December and January*.  
Home Missions, *February and March*.  
Tract Society, *April and May*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *June*.  
Sabbath School Society, *July*.

### 11. TAUNTON AND VICINITY AND OLD COLONY CONFERENCES.

Bible Society, *September and October*.  
Foreign Missions, *November and December*.  
Education Society, *January and February*.  
Home Missions, *March and April*.  
Tract Society, *May and June*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *July*.  
Sabbath School Society, *August*.

### 12. PILGRIM AND BARNSTABLE CONFERENCES.

Bible Society, *October and November*.  
Foreign Missions, *December and January*.  
Education Society, *February and March*.  
Home Missions, *April and May*.  
Tract Society, *June and July*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *August*.  
Sabbath School Society, *September*.

### AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

It is respectfully requested, that when auxiliary societies are formed, information may be given immediately to the Secretary, with the names and residences of the officers of such societies—and a copy of the constitution, and the names of the towns or parishes (if more than one) included within their limits.

It is also requested, that they report progress once a year—immediately after their annual meeting—or before the first of May. The grounds of these requests are :

1. That the Executive Committee may know how much ground is occupied in the State by auxiliaries—and how much is unorganized.
2. That they may know with whom to correspond officially—and how to make arrangements for delegations to the annual meetings of auxiliaries.
3. That they may forward the Annual Reports of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, and of the American Home Missionary Society, to the several auxiliaries—and also the "Home Missionary" to each association contributing ten dollars or more annually to the funds of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

*Unless special directions be given to the contrary, these publications will be forwarded by mail.*

### APPLICATIONS FOR AID.

It is expected that any feeble congregation desiring aid in supporting the gospel, will regard the following particulars in their application, not only in the first instance, but as often as the application is renewed.

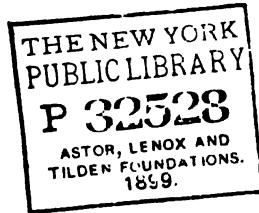
1. The number of members in the church.
2. The number of families or polls in the society.
3. The whole population of the town or parish.
4. The number usually attending public worship, or the number that may be expected to attend.
5. The amount of property belonging to members of the society, as rated on the State bill, or town valuation.
6. The amount supposed necessary for a minister's support.
7. The mode of collection—whether by tax or voluntary subscription.
8. The utmost amount that can be secured for the object, within the limits of the society.
9. The least amount that must be derived from other sources.
10. The probable length of time for which charitable aid will be needed.

A written statement on these topics, signed by a committee of the church or society, is required, and the correctness of the statement is to be vouched by two or three neighboring ministers, who are expected at the same time to certify that in their opinion the request for assistance ought to be granted.

### FORM OF A BEQUEST TO THE MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

I GIVE unto the Treasurer of the "Massachusetts Home Missionary Society," the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ dollars, for the purposes of said Society, and for which the receipt of such Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge.

Some important legacies have been lost to the cause of Home Missions, through inattention to the legal name of the Society, to which they were given.



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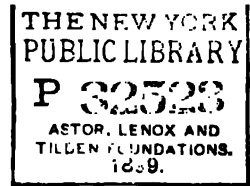
**MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.**

PRESENTED MAY 26, 1857.





FIFTY-EIGHTH



# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

**Massachusetts Home Missionary Society,**

PRESENTED BY THE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

AT THE

**Anniversary Meeting in Boston, May 26, 1857.**

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## NOTICES.

ALL communications intended for the Executive Committee, and any correspondence relating to the general interests of the Society, may be addressed to Rev. JOSEPH S. CLARK, *Secretary, Congregational Library Building, Boston.*

All remittances of money, and whatever communications relate to the pecuniary concerns of the Board, may be made to BENJAMIN PERKINS, Esq., *Treasurer, No. 228 Washington Street, Boston.*

Persons, in any part of the State, wishing to become Life Members or Life Directors of the American Home Missionary Society—or to make donations in any form to its funds, can transmit their donations through the treasury of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

Life Membership in the American Home Missionary Society, is *thirty dollars.*

Life Directorship in the do. do. is *one hundred dollars.*

Life Membership in the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, is *thirty dollars.*

☐ The Secretaries of Auxiliary Societies, are earnestly requested to forward copies of their Annual Reports, without delay, to the Secretary of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, Congregational Library Building, Boston. Also to furnish a list of the Officers chosen at each annual meeting. Compliance with these requests will enable the Committee of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society to furnish, in connection with their Annual Report, a satisfactory account of the state and progress of each Auxiliary.

THE **HOME MISSIONARY** is published monthly by the American Home Missionary Society, 150 Nassau Street, New York. It is also *distributed* from 228 Washington Street, Boston, for the accommodation of subscribers and others entitled to it, who reside in this State. Terms, *fifty cents per annum*, in advance.

☐ It is sent *gratuitously* to Life Members, Missionaries, and Auxiliary Associations of either Society; to all pastors whose congregations contribute any sum annually to either treasury; to all persons who serve as collectors; and to each donor of \$10 annually who signifies a wish to receive it. Application may be made to the Treasurer, who is Agent for the distribution of the Home Missionary in Massachusetts.

**STANDING RULE.**—The Missionary who makes his Reports to the Secretary of the Society *quarterly*, shall be entitled to quarterly drafts on the Treasury. Those who report *semi-annually*, shall be entitled to semi-annual drafts. Those who fail to render an *Annual Report on or before the first day of APRIL*, shall thereby forfeit the patronage of the Society, unless a sufficient excuse be rendered. In the Annual Report, definite answers to the following questions are required.

1. What is the number of rateable polls—also families—in your society?
2. What is the amount of your Society's valuation on the town assessors' book?
3. What proportion of it is in the hands of church members?
4. What aid do you receive from persons in your congregation not connected with your society?
5. What productive funds has your society?
6. What is your stipulated salary?
7. How is it raised—by tax or subscription?
8. Is it punctually paid?
9. What is the average number in your Sabbath congregations?
10. What is the number of your church members—male—female?
11. What additions during the year ending April 1st—by profession—by letter?
12. What the number of baptisms—adult—infant?
13. How many hopeful conversions have occurred?
14. What is the number in your Sabbath school and Bible class?
15. What progress has been made in temperance?
16. What is the amount of contributions to the Mass. Home Missionary Society?
17. What the amount contributed to all other religious charities?
18. What special encouragements or discouragements have you in your labors?

[In answering these inquiries, it will only be necessary to refer to their numerical designation, without transcribing them.]

## ANNUAL MEETING.

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THE MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY met at the room of the Congregational Library Association, No. 12 Tremont Temple, May 26, 1857, at 10 o'clock, A. M.,—Rev. R. S. STORRS, D. D., the President, in the Chair.

Rev. MOSES H. WILDER was appointed Clerk.

The Secretary read the minutes of the last Annual Meeting.

The Treasurer made his Report, which was accepted.

*Voted*, That the Report of the Executive Committee be adopted and printed; and that an Abstract of the same be presented by the Secretary at the public meeting this evening.

The officers for the ensuing year were chosen, (a list of which see on next page.)

*Voted*, That the Secretary and Rev. J. P. CLEVELAND, D. D., of Lowell, be delegates from this Society to the General Association of Massachusetts, to meet in June at Belchertown.

Adjourned to attend the public exercises of the Anniversary in Tremont Temple, at 7½ o'clock this evening.

M. H. WILDER, *Clerk*.

Attest: J. S. CLARK, *Secretary*.

### PUBLIC MEETING.

At the appointed hour, 7½ o'clock, the President, Rev. R. S. STORRS, D. D. took the chair, and the Anniversary exercises were opened with prayer by Rev. PHILANDER O. POWERS, of the Trebizond mission, Asia Minor.

An abstract of the Executive Committee's Annual Report was read by the Secretary.

A hymn was then sung by the congregation, and the President introduced Rev. JOHN O. MEANS, of Roxbury, who addressed the Assembly in support of the following Resolution, which was seconded by Rev. AMOS BLANCHARD, of Lowell:

*Resolved*, That we must keep prominent, as the great motive to Home Missions, the constraining love of Christ.

The next address was delivered by Rev. P. C. HEADLEY, of Greenfield, in support of the following Resolution, seconded by Rev. WILLIAM WARREN, agent of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions:

*Resolved*, That the historical position of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society commends it to the fervent prayers, confidence, and increasing support of the churches.

The concluding address was made by Rev. T. DWIGHT HUNT, of California, advocating a Resolution, seconded by Rev. MILTON BADGER, D. D., one of the Secretaries of the American Home Missionary Society at New York, in these words:

*Resolved*, That the important position of the Pacific coast, as a missionary field, and the peculiar obstacles in the way of missionary labor, present a claim of especial urgency upon the sympathy and co-operation of the American churches.

The addresses were earnest and instructive exhibitions of great practical truths, eminently suited to the occasion, and were listened to by the large audience with marked attention. The exercises were closed with the Doxology and Benediction, at 9½ o'clock.

# OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY.

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REV. RICHARD S. STORRS, D. D.

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## ANNUAL REPORT.

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**THE** last of those venerable fathers who founded the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, and put their names to its original Constitution fifty-eight years ago this evening, has entered into rest since we last met. Deacon JOHN PUNCHARD, of Salem, whose long life has been identified with the cause of Home Missions—the Treasurer of this Society for twenty-three years, and a member of the Executive Committee from the time of its organization till the infirmities of age disabled him from attending the quarterly meetings, died in the Lord, on the 13th of February, nearly ninety-four years old. But the spirit of Christian enterprise which he and his associates evoked and embodied on that memorable evening, in the form of a missionary organization, still lives, and at each returning Anniversary shows signs of renewed and ever-increasing life. The fruits of that spirit, as developed the past year, the Executive Committee now ask leave to exhibit in this their FIFTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT.

### The Treasury.

At the opening of the year there was a balance in the hands of the Treasurer, of \$2,394 29. The *receipts* since that time have amounted to \$32,127 78, besides \$6,491 06, gathered from the same field, through the same agency, which, for convenience' sake, the donors forwarded directly to the National Society at New York. The whole amount, therefore, received from Massachusetts, has been \$38,618 84, which is less by \$18,191 99 than the receipts of the previous year,—a difference occasioned chiefly by the smaller amount of legacies that happen to have been paid during the year now closing.

The *disbursements* have been \$4,607 02 for missionary labor performed in Massachusetts; \$1,267 94 in defraying the proportion of incidental expenses pertaining to this Auxiliary; and \$34,491 06 paid into the Treasury of the American Home Missionary Society, for them to distribute on the field at large.

## Tabular View.

The Society's operations within our own State, are exhibited, as heretofore, in a tabular form; showing the names of the missionaries, the date of their commissions, and the fields of their labor; together with the progress of the churches, so far as their statistical returns will show it. Brief sketches of missionary labor and its results in the several stations, gleaned chiefly from quarterly reports, are subjoined.

Churches and Missionaries.	Date of Commission.	Length of com.	Dollars appropri'd.	Average cong'n.	Church members.	Added by prof.	Added by letter.	Infants baptized.	Reported convs.	Sabb. sch. & B. c.	Contributions to Home Missions.	Contributed to other objects.
1. ANDOVER, <i>Ballardale</i> . Rev. Henry S. Greene, P.	Mar. 1, 1856	12	200	150	50	2	7	8	2	150	10 00	45 00
2. AUSTERLITZ, N. Y. Rev. Samuel Utley, P.	Jan. 1, 1857	12	100	75	22					35		
3. BARNSTABLE, <i>Hyanis</i> . Rev. John U. Parsons, s. s.	Nov. 1, 1855	12	200	100								
4. BOSTON, <i>German Evang.</i> Rev. Louis B. Schwartz, P.	Nov. 17, 1856	12	200	190	102	5	12	32	18	120		85 00
5. BURLINGTON. Rev. Abel Patten, s. s.	April 20, 1856	12	100	100	30	4	1			60	12 00	9 30
6. CANTON. Rev. Solomon Clark, P.	July 1, 1856	12	150	100	36		1	1		75	30 00	54 16
7. CARLISLE. Rev. John Lawrence, P.	April 1, 1856	12	125	100	62	3	1	4		70	24 15	47 21
8. CHESTER, <i>Factories</i> . Rev. Zolva Whitmore, s. s.	July 1, 1856	12	200	65	26				1			
9. DANA. Rev. John Keep, P.	Jan. 1, 1857	12	150	110	33	4	1	2		60	15 00	43 81
10. DOUGLAS, <i>Centre</i> . Rev. G. B. Richardson, s. s.	Sept. 1, 1856	12	200	100	33	2				60		
11. DOVER. Rev. John Haskell, P.	June 20, 1856	12	100	70	40	1	2			40	5 00	5 00
12. ERVING. Rev. Eli Moody, s. s.	Mar. 1, 1857	12	200	100	33	2	3		4	80	25 00	36 00
13. FRANKLIN, <i>South</i> . Rev. Joseph Thayer, s. s.	Jan. 1, 1857	12	200	100								
14. HAVERHILL, <i>East</i> . Rev. Wales Lewis, P.	May 28, 1856	12	150	90	33					50	21 00	13 72
15. HINGHAM. Rev. E. Porter Dyer, P.	Sept. 15, 1856	12	200	130	21		2			40	12 50	50 74
16. HOLLAND. Rev. Francis Wood, s. s.	April 1, 1856	12	125	100	39	1	2			69	20 25	31 63
17. HOLYOKE, 2d ch. Rev. J. B. R. Walker, P.	April 1, 1856	12	200	180	68	3	12		2	175	50 00	150 00
18. HOUSATONIC. Rev. Edward J. Giddings, s. s.	April 15, 1856	12	75	85	36	1	2		2	50	50 00	38 00

Churches and Missionaries.	Date of Commission.	Length of con.	Dollars appropri'd.	Average cong'n.	Church members.	Added by prof.	Added by letter.	Infants baptized.	Reported convert.	Sal. sch. & B. cl.	Contributions to Home Missions.	Contributed to other objects.
19. LITTLETON. Rev. Elihu Loomis, <i>s. s.</i>	Oct. 22, 1856	12	125	75	50	8	3	5	6	60	69 01	142 93
20. LONGMEADOW, <i>East</i> . Rev. J. R. Brown, <i>P.</i>	Nov. 1, 1855	12	50	150					2			
21. MENDON. Rev. Elijah Demond, <i>P.</i>	May 1, 1856	12	150	50	39	1				34	35 00	8 00
22. MONTGOMERY. Rev. Jonas Cohn, <i>s. s.</i>	May 1, 1856	6	100	90								
23. NEW SALEM. Rev. Erastus Curtiss, <i>s. s.</i>	Nov. 1, 1856	12	150	90	38	9	2		9	40		
24. OTIS. Rev. Thomas A. Hall, <i>s. s.</i>	April 1, 1856	12	100	175	78	2	3	2	6	100	35 00	74 00
25. PITTSFIELD, <i>West</i> . Rev. Samuel Harrison, <i>P.</i>	Oct. 1, 1856	12	100	60	50			8	12			
26. PLYMOUTH, <i>Chilstonville</i> . Rev. E. P. Kimball, <i>s. s.</i>	Jan. 1, 1856	12	120	65	50			1		40	7 40	28 25
27. SHUTEABURY. Rev. James Tisdale, <i>P.</i>	Oct. 15, 1856	12	150	60	45		4			67	8 00	39 00
28. SPRINGFIELD, <i>Indian Orchard</i> . Rev. E. D. Murphy, <i>P.</i>	Sept. 21, 1856	12	200	150	34	3	9	2	4	72	40 00	72 00
29. STERLING. Rev. William Miller, <i>P.</i>	April 1, 1856	12	150	115	50	2	2		2	95	23 00	38 00
30. STOCKBRIDGE, <i>Cartersville</i> . Rev. George Uhler, <i>P.</i>	May 1, 1856	12	75	95	100	3	1		2	62		81 00
31. TAUNTON <i>East</i> . Rev. James R. Cushing, <i>s. s.</i>	Mar. 1, 1856	12	200	85	15				2	75		
32. TISBURY, <i>Holmes' Hill</i> . Rev. W. H. Sturtevant, <i>s. s.</i>	Jan. 1, 1856	12	150	85	27					53		
33. WARWICK. Rev. H. M. Bridge, <i>s. s.</i>	Mar. 14, 1856	12	150	112	55		4	2		85	43 75	50 00
34. WASHINGTON. Rev. Eber L. Clark, <i>P.</i>	Feb. 2, 1856	12	75	55								
35. WATERTOWN. Rev. S. R. Dennin, <i>P.</i>	July 1, 1856	12	200	175	43	2	3	1	1	60		

### Details of Missionary Labor and its Results.

1. ANDOVER, *Ballardvale*.—The pastor says, in his annual report: "My labors the past year, as your missionary, have been exceedingly pleasant, and I hope not altogether in vain. Our audiences have been unusually large, and I have never before witnessed so good attention paid to preaching." The congregation still meet in a hall for public worship, though the Society "own an ample lot, in a good situation," on which they propose to build, "when Providence indicates the time." Two persons have been hopefully converted, and nine have been added to the church, of which seven came from other churches.



2. **AUSTERLITZ, N. Y.**—On the first of April, Mr. Utley was called to another department of labor, and the flock are now as sheep without a shepherd. By reason of emigration to the West, the congregation is reduced to a handful, and doubts are entertained whether a full supply of preaching here, will be much longer practicable, in view of the immensely larger fields that, for want of means, are left without husbandry. Still there are a few earnest souls, and warm hearts, among them, ready to bear still greater burdens, rather than forego the blessings of a permanent ministry.

3. **BARNSTABLE, Hyannis.**—Much to their regret, Mr. Parsons left this feeble flock for Kansas, last August, and was succeeded by Rev. W. P. Aphthorp, who, at the end of the missionary year, in November, also withdrew. Shortly afterwards the meeting-house was closed, and a spirit of deep despondency came over the few responsible members, who, forgetful of the great things which God had already wrought in their behalf, were on the point of abandoning the enterprise. Wiser counsels, however, prevailed, and a preacher from the present senior class at Andover, has lately been sent among them. Should the trial of their faith serve to strengthen their trust in the Lord, and stimulate to those efforts which are the natural fruits of such trust, it will be found, (as in how many similar cases it has been!) “unto praise and honor and glory.”

4. **BOSTON, German Evangelical.**—In their last application for missionary aid, they say: “The consistory of the German Evangelical church, several years ago, cherished the hope that ere this, by concentrating all our energies in proper efforts to liquidate our debt, we should come to meet our necessary expenses without aid from abroad. But to all human appearance, we shall not be able to stand alone for some time to come.” Various causes are assigned for this disappointment,—emigration to California,—“hard times for the poor, of which this society exclusively consists,”—pecuniary inducements to join a German Methodist society, whose pastor preaches, as the apostles did, without pay,” &c. &c. The Sabbath congregations, however, do not diminish. A considerable accession has been made to the church, “eighteen or twenty” are reported as having “evinced an interest in religious things heretofore unknown,” and a portion of the debt has been paid.

5. **BURLINGTON.**—Having once more secured a resident ministry, and finding themselves still unable to meet its entire support, this church and society have once more sought and obtained a little temporary aid from this source. There is now the manifestation of a higher standard of effort, than has before been observed for years, in sustaining the gospel; and this will secure their independence more effectually, and more speedily, than missionary help. Two months of severe sickness of the pastor, though extremely trying to himself, have afforded his people an occasion for showing their kind attentions, which they improved in a way to excite his warmest gratitude.

6. **CANTON.**—“Quite a list of discouragements might be made out,” writes the pastor, “were it best to dwell on the dark side of the picture.” One of

these is the migratory character of the population. "We have the same number of families this year, that we had last; and yet one-fifth of those reported last year have left town." On the other hand, there is a steady advance in some of the more prominent developments of Christian and social character. "As to giving, there has been a very pleasing change," as will be seen by comparing the past with former years.

7. CARLISLE.—A debt of about \$1,300 has been paid off, a handsome advance has been made in charitable contributions, and twenty-five dollars more of the pastor's support has been assumed than they felt able to pay the year before. To these most encouraging signs of external prosperity, the missionary is able to add, in his report, many tokens of spiritual progress. It is hoped that four souls have been converted, and three have been added to the church.

8. CHESTER, *Factories*.—For the last two years, this society has been supplied by a non-resident ministry, and on that account has received no missionary aid. During this time the church lost ground, the congregation diminished, and the Sabbath school disbanded—the pupils being gradually gathered into a Methodist Sabbath school, near by. In these circumstances, Mr. Whitmore went to reside among them, under commission from this Society. The change is already visible, in the increased attendance on public worship. Some who were never seen in the sanctuary, are now there; others who were occasional attendants are now constant. April 1, the missionary reported that "for some time past the attention given to preaching, and the general aspect of the congregation, have been such, as to excite the hope that God is about to revive his work in our midst," and one hopeful conversion had occurred.

9. DANA.—The pastor has had a checkered experience—brought at one time to the point of taking a dismission, and then revoking his decision at the desire of the people. The end of the year holds out better prospects than the beginning. Two hopeful converts are reported, and an accession of four to the church. Although progress is slow, as it almost always is in reclaiming an old waste, still "there is abundant evidence that God's truth and Spirit have wrought great results since the enterprise was started. Light has sprung up in darkness, and ignorance has given place to the knowledge of divine things."

10. DOUGLAS.—A new chapter has commenced in the history of this ancient church, which promises to tell a better story than the last has told. After months of destitution, the field was re-explored last summer, and a few young men were enlisted in an effort which soon resulted in securing a larger subscription, and on a better basis, than had been given for many years past. Encouraged by this unexpected demonstration, the Executive Committee spared no pains in searching out and sending a missionary, who was received with a cordiality, and has thus far been cheered by a co-operation, which betokens the happiest results. Besides redeeming all the pledges

given for his support, three months had hardly expired before the *ladies* raised over one hundred dollars for repairing the meeting-house—the beginning of an effort which, it is understood, will yield several hundreds more before it terminates. At the end of six months from his entrance among them as a mere stated supply, the young missionary was unanimously called to the pastoral office, and was able to report “two additions to the church by profession, a congregation of one hundred and twenty, with the prospect of many more.” “Every thing,” says he, “has prospered here far beyond my expectations, and I trust that, in time, it will be a self-supporting church.”

11. *DOVER*.—The church and society appear to be in a staid condition, and are well united. No material changes are reported in their spiritual or temporal affairs. To relieve the pastor's pecuniary wants, the Executive Committee have offered to aid the society in whatever efforts they might be disposed to make for the increase of his salary—pledging the same proportion after its increase, as before—but they do not learn that the offer has yet been accepted. This is the only way in which the Missionary Society can properly meddle with the question of salary.

12. *ERVING*.—Diligent and well-directed labor has yielded its appropriate results in a gradual advance of whatever constitutes the growth and permanence of a religious society. An accession of four members to the church; the hopeful conversion of four souls in the congregation; an increase of Sabbath school scholars; sixty dollars given in religious charities (in place of nothing the year before); and “an apparent disposition, on the part of leading men, to make still greater efforts, if need be, rather than do without the gospel”—these are among the items reported. “The floating character of the population,” is mentioned as the chief and almost the only discouragement.

13. *FRANKLIN, South*.—The death of Deacon Artemas Barden, one of the most reliable members of the church and society, has been a sorely trying dispensation. The missionary writes: “Had it not been that Christ is strength in weakness, and a very present help in time of trouble, we must have faltered and failed in our work.” Mr. Thayer's own physical prostration for five weeks, added to the death of Dea. B. and the simultaneous sickness of others, has tested the enterprise in its infantile state to an unusual degree. And it has stood the test well. The new meeting-house is to be dedicated in June, when larger audiences than can be gathered in the present place of worship, are confidently expected. On the whole, the prospects are favorable for a speedy growth of the church and society to the stature and strength of self support.

14. *HAVERHILL, East*.—The church has received no accessions during the year, and some have been called away by death. Many families have been afflicted with sickness, which has reduced the average size of the congregation and Sabbath school. The discouraging influence of these unavoidable impediments—especially the incessant drain of promising young men, just

as they come upon the stage of active life—is deeply felt by many a home-missionary in the rural districts of New England.

15. HINGHAM.—The long established habits of the community preclude the hope of sudden changes, or a rapid growth; but then, the same causes help to hold fast what is once gained. The past year has been one of fair progress. "Three youths, formerly members of the Sabbath school, and belonging to the same class, have become hopefully pious during the winter," while out of town, and are now pursuing an education, which the pastor hopes may ultimately bring them into the Christian ministry. "These encouraging facts," he writes, "fill our hearts with joy, and faith in God, and make our discouragements dwindle into insignificance."

16. HOLLAND.—Rev. Francis Wood commenced his labors here in April, 1856. His annual report speaks gratefully of the past, and hopefully of the future. The town, though small, is not depopulating—though not rich, has few that are poor. No religious society is sustained but the Congregational, and the number who attend public worship is increasing. It will be seen that fifty dollars has been contributed to objects of benevolence, in place of *nothing* the year before.

17. HOLYOKE, *Second Church*.—This church, founded, and for several years fostered, by the funds of this Society, has been brought back to its former dependence on missionary aid, solely by the depression of manufacturing interests in the place, and will unquestionably go on its way again without assistance, when that depression is lightened. The assistance was pledged, on condition that an effort be made to liquidate a floating debt of nearly \$1,000; which condition has been fulfilled in the payment of over \$600, and a provisional arrangement for canceling the rest. There will then remain the original meeting-house debt—which, however, will not be burdensome if business revives. The pastor reports cheering results of labor in his department—an increasing congregation, a large Sabbath school, an addition of fifteen members to the church, several hopeful conversions, and two hundred dollars contributed to various benevolent objects.

18. HOUSATONIC.—A suspension of the manufacturing business of this village has again brought the religious society into a state of dependence on missionary aid. As the cause of depression appears to be temporary, so, it is believed, will this state of dependence be. The missionary's report for the year presents, on the whole, an encouraging aspect, though the congregation continues small. Two hopeful conversions are reported; three members added to the church; and almost one hundred dollars contributed to various objects of charity.

19. LITTLETON.—A parsonage has been provided and paid for, during the past year, at a cost of \$2,200. The church has been strengthened by the addition of eleven members, of whom eight came in by profession. Six hopeful conversions are reported, mostly the fruits of a revival which was in

progress when the last annual report was made. The spirit of Christian liberality has also increased in large measure, as will be seen by reference to the statistical table. And it is still more gratifying to see that these signs of progress, instead of being thanklessly ignored by the people, in their plea for continued aid, are suggestive to their minds of independence. "We think," say they in their last application, "our strength is gradually increasing; and we hope that the term of our dependent minority will be short."

20. LONGMEADOW, *East*.—When the pastor's last commission expired, November 1, his people, with great cheerfulness, assumed his entire support. No statistics have been returned; but the following extracts from his final report will interest those whose benefactions have contributed to this result: "I cannot withdraw from your Society without assuring you, in behalf of this church, that we feel ourselves under great obligations for the interest you have manifested in our welfare. The timely aid of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society has been of great importance to this people. I do not believe they would have had confidence in themselves to have settled another pastor, without something of this kind to rely upon. They were not only feeble, but much disheartened; and they have gained, the last two years, not so much in real ability, as in confidence. They will now make an effort to sustain the gospel without assistance, and I think they will succeed. You are engaged in a great work. The feeble churches in our old Commonwealth deserve the sympathy of all the friends of Zion. They must be sustained, or infidelity will gain a firm footing in the very home of the Puritans. May your Society abound more and more in its work of love and beneficence." It is but simple justice to remark, on the foregoing extract, that this feeble church, like every other in Massachusetts which has risen to independence under the patronage of this Society, has been more beholden to its own personal exertions, than to missionary grants,—exertions, it is true, stimulated by those grants, and by the counsels which have accompanied them.

21. MENDON.—In his annual report, Mr. Demond says: "Whoever lives and labors here needs to have strong faith, and to hope against hope." Yet, in the true spirit of a Christian missionary in such a place, he adds: "I know not a field that I should prefer to labor in, if I could have full access to the minds of the people; they are not gospel hardened." Although the results of the past year do not make much show in figures, yet has there been developed a more settled purpose among the people to maintain the old Puritan faith, and to uphold the order of worship which their fathers established, than has been discovered for a long time. Nearly \$50 have been given for charitable purposes, which is also a hopeful sign.

22. MONTGOMERY.—Only twenty weeks of missionary labor have been expended here since our last Annual Report, and these, as in former years, have been given to the Congregational and Methodist churches united in one worshiping assembly on the Sabbath. "The two denominations," writes the missionary, "appear to be harmonious; they both subscribed, and about in

equal proportion, for preaching." Both churches are diminishing, as the population of the town is continually emigrating. This is one of the few churches in Massachusetts that can never more subsist without aid, nor yet be merged in another. In these circumstances, a half supply seems as much as Christian economy will warrant; and as *little* as will do any good.

23. **NEW SALEM.**—The statistical report of April 1, shows evidence of good progress in several respects. The Sabbath assemblies have increased; the church has received eleven members, of which nine came in by profession; and nine hopeful converts are numbered. "Nothing" has been given to aid other churches weaker than this; and to all other objects "a small contribution" has been made—the sum not named.

24. **OTIS.**—By reason of internal dissensions, this church has been destitute of a settled ministry for several years past, and some of the time without public worship. By advice of neighboring pastors, who feared that this once flourishing portion of Christ's vineyard might become a moral waste, the Executive Committee, through their Secretary, explored the field and pledged some temporary aid in re-establishing the means of grace. In consequence of this pledge, the services of Rev. Thomas A. Hall were secured, who reports that he has "passed a pleasant year with them," and he hopes "not an entirely profitless one." Harmony has been restored, the Sabbath congregation has increased, four have been received into the church, six have been hopefully converted, seventy-five dollars have been paid on a debt of three hundred dollars, and a unanimous wish excited to retain Mr. Hall. The results have exceeded expectation, and the necessity for missionary aid will be of short continuance.

25. **PITTSFIELD, Second Church.**—The revival which has been so largely experienced the past winter in all the other congregations in town, has also reached this. The pastor reports twelve hopeful conversions, comprising "three whole families." In so small a congregation, numbering only eighty on the average, this is a great work. When it is remembered that "the generation which directly preceded the present, were bondmen and bondwomen, in the State of New York," holding among them all less than \$2,000 worth of taxable property, it may be believed that scarcely a church in Massachusetts are better fulfilling the responsibilities of their religious stewardship.

26. **PLYMOUTH, Chiltonville.**—Mr. Kimball withdrew, at the end of his missionary year, January 1, and the post has not yet been supplied. The statistics in the table correspond with the facts as they then were. The chief discouragement reported, is "a want of energy and co-operation on the part of the church"—the result of causes reaching back through a whole generation. From intimations lately received, there is reason to hope that divine Providence is moving towards a reconciliation of those differences, which reduced the church to a state of dependence on missionary help.

27. SHUTESBURY.—Though the congregation is ever diminishing, by reason of emigration, rather more than the usual subscription has been made for the support of the ministry, while a larger amount has been given to charitable objects than for many years past. Some hopeful indications of a revival of religion have at times animated the pastor, but no decided cases of conversion have occurred.

28. SPRINGFIELD, *Indian Orchard*.—The new meeting-house which was noticed in the last Report as having been blown down, when nearly completed, has been rebuilt and dedicated, and nearly all the seats let. It is a comely and commodious place of worship, and does honor to the enterprising spirit of the people. Though the loss of the first house legally fell on the contractor alone, they nevertheless assumed a part of that loss, heavily as they had already taxed themselves to build it, and with the expiration of the current missionary year, terminates the dependence of this young church and society on missionary aid. This auspicious and highly satisfactory result is due, in great part, to the moral energy of a few individuals in the society, and shows how much may be done with small means, where there are large hearts. Rev. E. D. Murphy succeeded Mr. Bassett, in June, and has since been ordained. Great progress has been made in the spiritual as well as in the external interests of the church and society; and when the April report was rendered, the Spirit of the Lord was among the people, by his converting power.

29. STERLING.—The church is steadily increasing, and the society gradually growing strong. Were it not for removals from town, the aid of the Missionary Society might have been withdrawn before this time. But notwithstanding this drawback, it is easy to see that the day of independence is near. Some cheering tokens in the religious horizon have appeared, and several cases of hopeful conversion are reported. "My own strong desire," writes the pastor, "is to see souls returning to Christ, and giving their hearts to him; to see this whole community brought back to its ancient faith."

30. STOCKBRIDGE, *Curtisville*.—This church and society continue feeble, but are not discouraged. The long-continued stagnation of business in the village, has tested the principle and persistency of those who constitute the reliable membership—the supporters of Christian ordinances—and well do they stand the test. Let them "not be weary in well-doing," for in due time they "shall reap, if they faint not." Two hopeful conversions are reported, and three additions to the church.

31. TAUNTON, *East*.—The new house of worship has been finished and dedicated; and "contrary to all expectation," writes the missionary, "most of those who had subscribed with the understanding that they were to take pews to the amount of their subscription, have relinquished their claim, so that the whole house, with the exception of four pews, belongs to the society, and the rents will hereafter go to support preaching." This desirable arrangement, however, leaves the society in debt, about \$500, which the sale of pews

would probably have liquidated. Those who have aided in this work of real charity, and others who may be called upon to aid in paying this debt, may be sure that "their labor will not be in vain in the Lord." Rarely has a missionary enterprise been undertaken in Massachusetts, more evidently demanded by the providence of God, or which promises more certain results.

32. **TISBURY, *Holmes's Hole*.**—Mr. Sturtevant was called away from this post, in October, to the pastoral charge of another church. Since that time, public worship has been sustained, in part, by the deacons reading sermons, and in part by Rev. N. Cogswell, whom they hope to retain. No statistical report has been received.

33. **WARWICK.**—During the past year death has smitten down several prominent members, whose annual subscriptions amounted to about seventy dollars. In these circumstances, the Franklin Association have generously interposed, and provided the means of paying a debt of one hundred and forty dollars, which was bearing heavily on the society. The missionary has been called to pass through severe domestic and personal trials, but is comforted to see "prejudices gradually breaking down," a "perfect unanimity prevailing" among his people, and "a growth of moral courage." He is now the only settled minister in town, and has the field nearly all to himself. This circumstance greatly magnifies the importance of his mission.

34. **WASHINGTON.**—This post is now abandoned. Mr. Clark removed to North Becket, in November, and a considerable portion of his flock followed, and have since worshiped there on the Sabbath—the distance from their homes being no greater, than they had traveled to their former place of meeting. Others go to Hinsdale; so that not more than four or five families are much discommoded by this suspension of public worship in Washington. It was but a few months after the removal of our beloved brother from the home-missionary vineyard, that the Master released him from all earthly labor, and took him to himself.

35. **WATERTOWN.**—The new and elegant church edifice, whose foundations were laid at the time of our last Anniversary, has since been completed, and is now occupied by a congregation of nearly two hundred Sabbath worshippers. The vestry had been furnished and used for public worship nearly six months before. Every thing betokens good in the future. This new and important enterprise seems to have secured the favor of God and man, and will not long stand in need of missionary aid.

### Summary.

The number of churches that have been under missionary patronage in Massachusetts the past year, is 35; the year before, it was 36. Seven of those reported last year are not reported now—five of them having assumed their ministers' entire support, and the other two



having obtained assistance elsewhere. Six have been received under patronage since the last anniversary, so that the number has been diminished only *one*, by these changes.

The churches now on the list number 1,339 members, of which 56 were received by profession, and 87 by letter, during the year.

About two-thirds of the missionaries have held the pastoral office; the others have steadily supplied the pulpit and resided among the people. One pastor has been settled, one has been dismissed, and one—*Rev. Eber L. Clark*, of Washington—has died.

The number of families coming within the sphere of missionary labor is about 1,120; and they have furnished an average attendance on public worship of 3,712, and 2,415 pupils and teachers for the Sabbath schools.

A very encouraging state of religious feeling existed at several of the stations, when the annual returns were made in April, and about 80 hopeful conversions were reported.

Twenty-three missionaries report contributions to various benevolent objects, amounting to \$1,596 23. If the other twelve have contributed in proportion, the whole amounts to \$2,430, or nearly \$70 from each feeble church—which is a return of 46 per cent. of what they received from the Missionary Society.

Four meeting-houses, and one parsonage, have also been built, and mostly paid for, during the year.

These generous contributions, whether for objects of Christian benevolence, or in providing for their own religious wants, give pleasing evidence that missionary aid is not dispensed, as it easily may be, to the injury of our feeble churches, by fostering a habit of indolence and self-neglect. The liability to this evil, in Massachusetts, is all the greater from the fact that the means placed at the disposal of the Executive Committee are much larger than the real wants of our own State are supposed to require. But there are two restraints under which the Committee evermore act in making their disbursements:—*first*, the conviction, strengthened by long and careful observation, that the well-being of feeble churches is dependent, not so much on the amount of help they receive from others, as on its effect in stimulating their own exertions to help themselves; *second*, the known and oft-expressed desire of the largest contributors—those whose donations probably comprise nine-tenths of all our receipts from Massachusetts—to meet the demands of Providence on those new fields of home missionary labor which are just now opening with a breadth and rapidity that has no parallel in the history of this or any other land. Either of these considerations should be a sufficient guard against thriftless expenditures, and a stimulus in the use of those moral appliances which are oftentimes better than money; while neither, nor both, have

hitherto restrained the Committee from relieving any church which they have judged to be in a state of real necessity, nor from going to the full extent which that necessity seemed plainly to require. In discriminating between such cases as should have pecuniary relief, and others that need only good counsel, several local auxiliaries have rendered important service, by exploring their own fields through the agency of discreet men, sent forth two and two for that purpose. The brethren of Franklin county, especially, have imposed obligations of gratitude on the Executive Committee for their seasonable and judicious aid in this direction. Such deputations as they have sent forth to spend a Sabbath or a week-day with each of the feeble churches within their bounds, to learn their affairs, and give them advice, and report their wants, can hardly fail of a beneficial result, particularly where the weakness is a want of spiritual life and Christian enterprise. Like Peter and John, falling in with the lame man at the temple gate, they may have it in their power, through the blessing of God, to confer a greater gift than silver and gold, by earnestly and effectually saying to a feeble church, "In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk."

#### Claims of the Field at Large.

It would be a most unwise policy for this Society to neglect the wants of Massachusetts in their zeal to supply similar wants in other parts of the land—to leave the poor of Christ's flock to perish in sight of our own door, for want of that care which we give to those who are perishing farther off. Such a line of policy would defeat its own aim, for it would diminish our power to save the perishing, either here or there. But let no one suppose that, by admitting this truth, he can wink out of sight the obligations of Massachusetts to other parts of our great home missionary field.

Many are the aspects under which these obligations present themselves to thoughtful minds. Even in relieving the necessities of our own little State, the Executive Committee find a class of facts painfully suggestive of greater necessities in other parts of the land. One of the most frequently observed causes of the protracted weakness of our mission churches throughout New England, is the removal of their members—not from one church to another, but from the church to the wilderness; from the fed and folded flock and the familiar voice of the shepherd, to the extreme verge of civilization, beyond the hearing of "him that publisheth salvation." The church which they left, in renewing their application for continued or increased aid in supporting the gospel, can make a forcible plea, grounded on the fact of diminished numbers and reduced means. And is there no force

in that other plea which comes from those other members of the same church in their far-off wilderness home, utterly destitute and hopelessly destitute of church privileges, till the friends of home missions *somewhere* shall supply their wants? Neither filial nor parental obligations are supposed to be bounded by State lines; and who can believe that the obligations of Christian charity are thus restricted? If there be indeed a bond of brotherhood uniting the whole family of Christ on earth and in heaven, as the Apostle intimates, it is not sundered, nor are the claims which it imposes upon us forfeited, by the removal of our Massachusetts brethren and sisters to the valley of the Mississippi or the shores of the Pacific. And when, occasionally, this assumption seems to underlie the plea for larger appropriations *here*, the Committee have to acknowledge that they cannot feel its force, till means are furnished to make larger appropriations *there* also.

Neither does the abounding wealth, present or prospective, of our new States and Territories, diminish our obligations to the destitute in that quarter. If present wealth should exclude any section of the land from home missionary care, Massachusetts would certainly be excluded. And as to their prospective wealth, it is an argument in the other scale—a weighty argument for the appliance of those religious influences, in the very start of secular enterprise, which may tend to consecrate that wealth to Christ and his Church. If it be within the power of the gospel, and any part of our purpose in preaching it, to bring men to feel that the silver and the gold and the cattle upon a thousand hills are the Lord's, can we ever make the attempt more hopefully than just at the time when the social, moral and religious habits of a community are in a formative state? The deformed tree which no pruning can now cure, was only a bent twig once, which might have been straightened with the greatest ease. So may the hand of Christian culture direct the moral destiny of an empire. So are the patrons of this Society now doing, in proportion to the part they take in sustaining Home Missionaries in Kansas and Nebraska, Minnesota, Oregon and Washington territories.

In view of these facts, and many others of like import which these will suggest, let us rejoice that this auxiliary has been second to none in furnishing the \$178,060 wherewith the American Home Missionary Society has supplied 1,985 congregations and missionary districts with the preaching of the gospel, during the past year, from the lips of 974 ministers of Jesus Christ, scattered over 24 States and Territories of our republic. Especially may we rejoice that God has given such a demonstration of his presence among them as is seen in the hopeful conversion of between two and three thousand souls through their instrumentality, and the ingathering of 5,550 into the churches under their care; while no less than 46 of these churches have risen

to the condition of self-support, to be no longer the recipients of missionary aid, but henceforth to comfort others "with the same comfort wherewith they themselves have been comforted of God."

But as the close of each year, in its registered results, kindles our joy, by permitting us to see so much accomplished of the work that was given us to do at the beginning, so does it also challenge our zeal, by laying before us a still larger work for the year to come. This has been a uniform fact in the progress of Home Missions from the first. But at no one of the preceding fifty-seven anniversaries have the patrons of this Society seen so many new fields of such breadth and abounding hopefulness, as now open upon our vision. At no former time, therefore, have the claims of the field at large pressed upon us with greater force. Never was it in our power to discharge such claims with more absolute certainty of effecting the moral destiny of the nation and the world.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr. The Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in account with Benjamin Perkins, Treasurer.		Cr.
To cash paid Missionaries the past year, . . . . .	\$ 4,607 00	
" " American Home Missionary Society, . . . . .	28,000 00	
" " Salaries, traveling expenses and incidentals, . . . . .	1,267 94	
" " A. B. C. F. M. from Mrs. Osborne's Fund, . . . . .	77 00	
Balance to new account, . . . . .	1,229 25	
	<u>\$ 35,181 19</u>	
		By balance last year, . . . . .
		" Contributions and Legacies, . . . . .
		" Income from Fund, . . . . .
		" Income from Mrs. Osborne's Fund, . . . . .
		" Payment on Mortgage, . . . . .
		<u>\$ 35,181 19</u>

BOSTON, MAY 15, 1857.

BENJAMIN PERKINS, TREASURER.

BOSTON, MAY 21, 1857.—I have examined the above account of the Treasurer of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, and find the same correctly cast and well vouched.

CHARLES SCUDDER, AUDITOR.

NOTE.—In addition to the foregoing receipts, \$6,491 06, in the form of donations, contributions, and legacies, have been forwarded to the American Home Missionary Society from different parts of the State, which are not included in this Report, because they did not pass through this Treasury.

## DONATIONS,

From May 15, 1856, to May 15, 1857.

<i>Lahby</i> , Ladies' Cent Soc. to const. Mrs. Louisa Foster L. M.	\$30 56
<i>Uxington</i> , South, Cong. Soc. §8; §27,	35 00
East, Rev. Mr. Walker's Soc.	38 00
<i>Indover</i> , Mrs. Leonard Woods, to const. her L. M.	30 00
South Ch. and Soc.	201 25
Society of Inquiry, Phillips Academy.	33 30
West Parish, to const. Dea. Solomon Holt, L. M.	54 16
North, Cong. Ch. to const. Mrs. Harriet K. Davis L. M.	30 00
Hallard Vale, Cong. Soc.	10 00
<i>Attleboro'</i> , East, Ladies' Benev. Soc. in full to const. Rev. Charles D. Lothrop L. D. Am. H. M. S.	42 62
Female Miss. Soc.	25 00
<i>Amherst</i> , South, Legacy of Gideon Merrick, to const. Mrs. Beulah Merrick, Mrs. Emma Merrick, Samuel O. Merrick, Mrs. Maria S. Merrick, Miss Henrietta M. Merrick, Charles Merrick, Mrs. Mary Ann Merrick, L. M. Am. H. M. S.	210 00
Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. William E. Lyman L. M. Am. H. M. S.	30 00
North, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	30 55
Hon. Edward Dickinson, to const. Miss Martha J. Gilbert L. M.	30 00
1st Parish, Gents. and Ladies' Benev. Soc.	158 11
<i>Athol</i> , A Friend, §15; Rev. Mr. Norton's Soc. §21.21;	36 21
<i>Ashburnham</i> , 1st Cong. Ch. and Soc. 10.50; Rev. J. D. Crosby and wife, §3.	13 50
<i>Adams</i> , South, Cong. Soc. to const. Miss Julia A. Marsh and Miss Martha Beckwith L. M.	60 00
<i>Amesbury and Salisbury</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	15 00
West, Rev. Mr. Thompson's Soc. to const. James H. Johnson, Daniel H. Bradley, George N. Bird, John Clary and Abner Sergeant, L. M.	158 22
<i>Boston</i> , Essex St. Ch. and Soc. hal. of last year's contribution,	297 50
Do. do. Annual Collection,	2,168 55
Phillips Ch. and Soc. do.	294 00
Bowdoin St. Ch. and Soc. bal. coll. 1855,	5 00
Do. do. 1856, Annual Collection,	670 00
Salem St. Ch. and Soc. do.	102 72
Park St. do. do.	1,653 83
Mt. Vernon do. do.	1,625 82
Old South do. do.	947 75
Central do. do.	669 50
Shawmut Ch. and Soc. to const. Dea. S. C. Wilkins, Dea. J. Johnson and Ira Greenwood, L. D.; and William Fox Richardson, Norman Stevens, Aaron Kimball, Mrs. Frederick Jones, Mrs. Charles Babcock, Mrs. Charles Carruth, L. M. Am. H. M. Soc., §26 86 of wh. from mon. conc.	641 86
Pine St. Ch. and Soc.	139 55
Rev. Giles Pease,	3 00
A Friend,	10 00
A Friend, by Rev. Dr. Adams,	25
<i>Braintree</i> , 1st Parish, to const. Mrs. Susan Hollis and Mrs. Nancy Arnold L. M.	68 75
1st ch. quarterly coll. §20. §15, §33 85,	68 85
Do. Ladies' H. M. Soc. to const. Mrs. Rachel Morse and Mrs. Rowena Ryan L. M.	70 75
Do. mon. conc.	43 40
<i>Brookfield</i> Asso. S. M. Lane, Tr. viz :—Ware, 1st Parish, §37 48; Holland, Ladies' Benev. Soc. §15 63; Sturbridge, Cong. Soc. §88; Dana, §15; Oakham, §30; New Braintree, §10; Hardwick, to const. Dea P. Chandler L. M. §58 25; meeting of conference, §11 11,	265 47
<i>Burlington</i> , Female H. M. Soc. §10 25; mon. conc. §7 08;	17 33
<i>Bridgewater</i> , Trin. Ch. and Soc.	23 60
<i>Bedford</i> , Trin. Cong. Soc. mon. conc.	24 03
Do. do. Annual Collection,	55 75
<i>Brookline</i> , Harvard Ch. and Soc.	167 75
A Friend,	8 00
<i>Brerly</i> , Dane St. Ch. to const. Joseph G. Dodge L. M.	30 00
A Friend,	6 00
Washington St. Soc. to const. Miss Eliza Woodbury, Miss M. J. Suffolk, and Miss Mary Ober L. M.	75 00

<i>Belchertown, Benev. Assoc.</i>	\$70 00
<i>Billerica, Rev. J. G. D. Stearns,</i>	10 00
<i>Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	25 00
<i>Brookfield, Vt William Wells,</i>	1 30
<i>Berkshire and Columbia H. M. Soc. E. A. Bliss, Tr. §30 of wh. from William J.</i>	
<i>Bartlett, to const Alonzo Bradley L. M.</i>	401 35
<i>Brimfield, 1st Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	82 47
<i>Boylston, Centre Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Rev. Isaac G. Bliss L. M.</i>	164 03
<i>Cambridge, Shepard Ch. Ladies' Miss Sew. Circle,</i>	79 85
<i>Do. contribution, 168 08; mon. conc. §36 87,</i>	204 95
<i>Legacy of Hannah Barrett, by S. T. Farwell, Exr.</i>	50 00
<i>Charlton, Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	17 77
<i>Chatham, Cong. Soc. Ladies' Benev. Asso.</i>	15 25
<i>Chiltonville, Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	7 40
<i>Chelea, Winnisimmet Ch. and Soc.</i>	132 00
<i>Charlestown, 1st Ch. and Soc. §43; an individual, §40,</i>	83 00
<i>Winthrop Ch. and Soc.</i>	200 00
<i>Clinton, Evau. Cong. Soc.</i>	104 74
<i>Canton, Rev. Mr. Clark's Soc.</i>	30 00
<i>Cohasset, 2d Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	31 10
<i>Chesterfield, Cong. Soc.</i>	3 00
<i>Conway, Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	121 45
<i>Cambridge, East, A Friend,</i>	5 00
<i>Cambridgeport, 1st Evau. Ch. and Soc.</i>	141 42
<i>Dover, Cong. Ch. and Soc. §6; §5,</i>	11 00
<i>Douglas, Ladies' Benev. Soc.</i>	42 25
<i>Dartmouth, South Ch. and Soc.</i>	14 00
<i>Dudley, Cong. Soc.</i>	32 00
<i>1st Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	62 65
<i>Dorchester, Female H. M. Soc. 2d parish,</i>	27 00
<i>James Clap,</i>	20 00
<i>J. V. Marshall,</i>	5 00
<i>Dedham, Mrs. E. Burgess,</i>	100 00
<i>Female Miss. Soc.</i>	47 00
<i>Deerfield, South, Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	15 02
<i>Dorchester, Estate of Mrs. Eliza Withington, to const. Mrs. Lucy Blake L. M.</i>	30 00
<i>Neponset H. M. Soc. by Mrs. S. Tolman, Treas.</i>	53 00
<i>2d Parish Annual Coll. to const. Dea. Joseph Clapp and S. A. Quincey L. M.</i>	357 30
<i>Do. Ladies' H. M. Soc.</i>	45 25
<i>Dunstable, Rev. Mr. Adams's Soc. §12 64; William Dunn, §5;</i>	17 64
<i>East Bridgewater, Rev. Mr. Sanford's Soc. §16; §12 68;</i>	28 68
<i>East Douglas Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	70 00
<i>Essex North Conference, Coll. at meeting to const. Rev. Asa Farwell L. M.</i>	31 88
<i>Essex North Aux. Soc. James Caldwell, Tr.;</i>	
<i>Rev. Dr Dimmick's Soc. mon. conc. §20 69; Byfield, Cong. Soc. §13 75;</i>	
<i>Salisbury, a Friend, 4,</i>	38 44
<i>Bellville, Rev. Mr. Fisk's Soc to const Mrs. Sophronia Little, Mrs. Margaret Peabody, Mrs. Oliver Hale, Mrs. Eunice A. Currier, Mrs. I. L. Townsend, John B. Lord, and William Moulton, L. M. Am. H. M. S.</i>	237 15
<i>Rev. R. Campbell's Soc., Ladies' Reading Soc. to const C. M. Bailey and S. G. Swain L. M.</i>	60 00
<i>Legacy of Miss Deborah G. Payson, Rowley.</i>	12 50
<i>Enfield, Benev. Soc. §150 of which from friends to const. Mrs. Eveline Collins, Lyman S. Rowland, Samuel Sherman, Miss H. Eudora Keep, and Miss R. Oriana Grout, L. M. Am. H. M. S.</i>	455 00
<i>Fall River, Central Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Richard Borden and Mrs. Abby W. Borden, L. M.</i>	365 07
<i>Franklin County H. M. Soc. S. S. Eastman, Tr. viz.:</i>	
<i>West Hawley, 2d Cong. Soc. §6 34; Ashfield, 1st Cong. Soc. Gents. §7 67;</i>	
<i>Ladies, §9 14; Bernardston, Martha L. Newcomb, to const. Elizabeth M. Newcomb L. M. §30,</i>	53 15
<i>Do. Warwick, Trin. Ch. and Soc. §32; Deerfield, legacy of Jonathan Hanks. §50; Almon Williams, §1; Montague, 1st Cong. Soc. mon. conc. §17 86,</i>	100 86
<i>Do. Gill, Cong. Soc. §10; Rowe, A. Burnap, §10; Shutesbury, Fem. Benev. Soc. §8; Deerfield, Monument Ch. to const. William Warner L. M. §30; Sunderland, Cong. Soc. to const. Erastus Pomroy and Horace G. Sanderson L. M. §82;</i>	140 00
<i>Do. Charlemont, Cong. Soc. §15 50; Bernardston, §6 50; Montague, §5 86; Erving, §14; Deerfield, §21 30; Greenfield, 1st Soc. §29 20; Whately, 2d Soc. §36; Montague, 1st Soc. §41 25; Shelburne Falls,</i>	

Cong. Soc. to const. Rev. W. T. Lewis L. M. §49; Buckland, §30 39; Gill, §9; a Friend, §3; less, printing Report, §15,	\$245 90
<i>Falmouth</i> , 1st Ch. and Soc.	86 28
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 Wood, Mrs Zenna, do  
 Wood, S. F., Chelmsford  
 Woodbridge, John D. D., Hailley  
 \*Woodbury, Rev B., Falmouth  
 Woodbury, Miss Eliza, Beverly  
 Woodbury, Rev James T., Acton  
 Woodford, Mrs Hannah, Boston  
 Woodman, Rev H. A., Newburyport  
 Woodman, Joseph, do  
 Woods, Joseph W., Boston  
 \*Woods, Leonard, D. D., Andover  
 Woods, Mrs Leonard, do  
 Woodward, Miss Harriet, Newton  
 \*Worcester, Samuel, D. D., Salem  
 Worcester, Samuel M., D. D., do  
 Worcester, Mrs Z. do  
 Wright, Albert J., Boston  
 Wright, Asahel, Deerfield  
 Wright, Rev Luther, East Hampton  
 Wright, Mrs Martha, Phillipston  
 Wyman, Mrs Anna F., Fitchburg  
 Wyman, Marshall, Woburn  
 Yule, Mrs Sarah S., South Reading  
 Youngman, D., Winchester

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Taylor, Edward, Andover  
 Taylor, Isaac, do  
 \*Taylor, Rev James, Sunderland  
 Taylor, Rev John, Northbridge  
 Taylor, Rev J., Wenham  
 Taylor, John, Medford  
 Taylor, Mrs Mary, Manchester  
 Taylor, Mrs O. A., do  
 Taylor, O. M., Yarmouth  
 Taylor, Miss Rebecca, Ashby  
 Taylor, Rev R., Manchester  
 Taylor, Mrs Esther W., do  
 Taylor, Samuel, Worcester  
 Taylor, Samuel S., Dunstable  
 Teel, John, Newburyport  
 Teel, Miss Sarah E., do  
 Teelo, Mrs Cornelia C., Milton  
 Tenney, Miss S. G., do  
 Tenney, Rev Francis V., Hyfield  
 Terry, Mrs Esther, Sutton  
 Terry, Rev James, South Weymouth  
 Thacher, Rev Tyler, California  
 Thatcher, Matthew, South Dartmouth  
 Thatcher, Samuel, Yarmouth  
 Thayer, Miss L. W., Boston  
 Thayer, Miss Susan, Natick  
 Thayer, Mrs Susan, North Braintree  
 Thayer, Rev William M., Ashland  
 Thayer, Mrs Rebecca M., do  
 Thomas, Asa, Plymouth  
 \*Thomas, Rev D., Abington  
 Thompson, Rev A. C., Roxbury  
 Thompson, Elmer B., Southboro'  
 Thompson, Mrs Martha C., do  
 Thompson, Rev L., South Hadley  
 Thorndike, Mrs Israel, Boston  
 Thurlow, Samuel, Newburyport  
 Thurston, Mrs., Boston  
 Tidd, Samuel, Warren  
 Tilton, Edward G., Waltham  
 Tilton, Rev W., Charlemont  
 \*Tinker, Rev Orasmus, Ashby  
 Tinkham, Jesse, Enfield  
 Titcomb, Mrs H. M., Newburyport  
 Titus, Mrs Sally, Westminster  
 Toby, Job T., Rochester  
 Tolman, Rev R., Tewksbury  
 Tolman, James, Ware Village  
 Tolman, Joseph, Ware  
 Tolman, Mrs Hannah, Dorchester  
 Tolman, William E., do  
 \*Tomlinson, Rev D., Oakham  
 Torrance, Mrs J., Enfield  
 Torrey, Willard, Grotton  
 Torrey, Ziba, Attleboro'  
 Tower, Mrs A. D., Cummington  
 Tower, H. L., do  
 Towne, Salem, Charlton  
 \*Townsend, Rev S., Shelburne  
 Tracy, Rev Hiram A., Cincinnati, O  
 Tracy, Mrs H. A., do  
 Train, Nathaniel, Enfield  
 Trask, Daniel, do  
 Trask, Mrs Mary, do  
 Trask, Charles H., Manchester  
 Tremblott, Mrs Thomas, Dorchester  
 Torrey, Charles W., Abington  
 Torrey, John E., do  
 Torrey, Miss Miranda, do  
 Trescott, Mrs Lois, Dorchester  
 Tucker, Abner R., So. Dartmouth  
 Tucker, Mrs Catharine, Dorchester  
 Tucker, Ephraim, Ware  
 Tucker, Jesse, Milton  
 Tucker, Lewis, do  
 Tucker, Mrs Luvanna, Dorchester  
 Tucker, Mark, D. D., Wethersfield, Ct.  
 Tucker, Nathan, Milton  
 Tucker, Mrs Nathan, do  
 Tufts, Miss Sarah C., West Brookfield  
 Tupper, Rev Martyn, Hardwick  
 Turner, N. G., Sunderland  
 Tuttle, Miss Sarah, Boston

Tuttle, Thomas S., Littleton  
 Tyler, Mrs Fanny, Attleboro'  
 Tyler, Rev William, Northampton  
 Underwood, A. G., Oxford  
 Underwood, Mrs E. A., do  
 Underwood, Rev G. W., Charlton  
 Upham, Otis, Waltham  
 Upton, Mrs Dorinda F., Buckland  
 Upton, Mrs Sophia M., Fitchburg  
 Utley, Rev Samuel, Austerlitz, N. Y.  
 Valentine, Mrs Joanna C., Cambridge  
 Viles, Jonas, Waltham  
 Vining, Spencer, South Abington  
 Vining, W. O., No. Wilbraham  
 Vinton, Miss Eliza A., Boston  
 Vinton, Josiah, do  
 Virgin, Miss Hannah, do  
 Vose, Mrs Charlotte, Milton  
 \*Vose, Thomas, Boston  
 Vose, William H., Fitchburg  
 Wait, Miss Rebecca, Medford  
 Wales, Thomas, North Bridgewater  
 Walker, Amasa, North Brookfield  
 Walker, Mrs Hannah, Sturbridge  
 Walker, Rev H. D., Abington  
 Walker, Miss Mary, Greenwich  
 Walker, Oramel, Enfield  
 \*Walker, Rev Samuel, Danvers  
 Walker, Rev Townsend, Huntington  
 Wallace, Mrs Emily, Fitchburg  
 Walley, S. H., Roxbury  
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 Ward, Jonathan, Buckland  
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 Ware, Rev Samuel, Deerfield  
 Warner, Mrs S., Enfield  
 Warner, W. R., Sunderland  
 Warren, Jonas, do  
 Warren, Mrs Sidney S., do  
 Warren, Leander, Leicester  
 Warren, Mrs Nancy, Greenwich  
 Warren, Nathan, Waltham  
 Warren, Mrs Sarah, do  
 Warren, Rev W., Uxbridge  
 Warren, William A., Winchester  
 Washburn, Horatio, Kingston  
 Watson, Mrs Sarah A., West Roxbury  
 Waterson, Frederick, Grafton  
 Waters, Rev L., Chesterfield  
 Webb, Mrs Susan, Greenwich  
 Welch, Mrs Sally, Manchester  
 Welch, Simon, North Haverhill  
 Wells, Rev J. H., Yarmouth  
 Wells, William H., Newburyport  
 Westcott, Stephen, West Roxbury  
 Wetherbee, Josiah, Waltham  
 Wetherbee, Merrick, Lunenburg  
 Wheeler, Mrs E. M., Conway  
 Wheeler, Rev M. G., Newton  
 Wheelock, Hiram H., Hartford, Wis.  
 Wheelock, Elizabeth D., do  
 Wheelwright, George S., Medford  
 Whidden, Miss Catharine F., Marblehead  
 Whipple, Charles, Newburyport  
 Whipple, Henry, Salem  
 Whipple, Justin B., East Douglas  
 Whipple, Moses K., Warren  
 Whipple, S. K., Boston  
 Whitcomb, Miss Abby B., Templeton  
 Whitcomb, David, do  
 Whitcomb, Mrs Margaret, do  
 Whitcomb, Rev W. C., Southbridge  
 White, Alfred, West Brookfield  
 \*White, Bailey, Randolph  
 White, Mrs E. A. H., Orleans  
 White, Jonas, Worcester  
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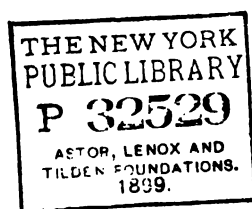
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1. What is the number of rateable polls—also families—in your society?
2. What is the amount of your Society's valuation on the town assessors' book?
3. What proportion of it is in the hands of church members?
4. What aid do you receive from persons in your congregation not connected with your society?
5. What productive funds has your society?
6. What is your stipulated salary?
7. How is it raised—by tax or subscription?
8. Is it punctually paid?
9. What is the average number in your Sabbath congregations?
10. What is the number of your church members—male—female?
11. What additions during the year ending April 1st—by profession—by letter?
12. What the number of baptisms—adult—infant?
13. How many hopeful conversions have occurred?
14. What is the number in your Sabbath school and Bible class?
15. What progress has been made in temperance?
16. What is the amount of contributions to the Mass. Home Missionary Society —?
17. What the amount contributed to all other religious charities?
18. What special encouragements or discouragements have you in your labors —?

[In answering these inquiries, it will only be necessary to refer to their numerical designation, without transcribing them.]

## ANNUAL MEETING.

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THE MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY met at the Committee Room of the Congregational Library Association in Chauncy Street, at 10 o'clock, May 25, 1858.

In the absence of the President, Rev. J. S. CLARK, D. D., was called to the Chair, and Rev. N. GALE chosen Clerk. Prayer was offered by the Chairman. The Minutes of the last Annual Meeting were read.

*Voted*, That the Report of the Executive Committee be adopted and printed; and that an Abstract of the same be presented by the Secretary, at the public meeting this evening.

The Treasurer's Report was read and accepted.

The doings of the Executive Committee upon the resignation of Dr. CLARK of his office as Secretary, and the appointment of a successor, were read. The action of the Committee in reference to Dr. CLARK, was as follows:

"WHEREAS, The Rev. JOSEPH S. CLARK, D. D., having accepted an appointment as Corresponding Secretary and Financial Agent of the Congregational Library Association, has resigned the Secretaryship of this Society,

1. *Resolved*, That this Committee, with great reluctance, accept the resignation, and that we tender to Dr. CLARK the expression of sincerest regrets at the termination of his services as Secretary of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, which, for nineteen years have been rendered with signal discretion, fidelity and success; that we tender to him the testimony of our satisfaction in the peculiarly happy relations, official and personal, which have subsisted between him and ourselves.

2. *Resolved*, That it is our earnest hope that Dr. CLARK will consent to continue a member of the Executive Committee, and, so far as consistent, render his large and invaluable experience available to us and to his successor.

3. *Resolved*, That we assure Dr. CLARK of our sympathies and our prayers for his comfort and success in the new and highly important position to which, in the providence of God, he has been called."

The officers for the ensuing year were then chosen, (a list of which see on the next page.)

*Voted*, That the Secretary and Rev. THOMAS WILSON be delegates from

this Society to the General Association of Massachusetts, to meet in June at Dorchester.

Adjourned to attend the public exercises of the Anniversary at the Central Church, at 7½ o'clock this evening.

NANUM GALE, *Clerk*.

Attest: H. B. HOOKER, *Secretary*.

### PUBLIC MEETING.

At the appointed hour, 7½ o'clock, the Public Services were held in the Central Church. Appropriate Hymns were sung. Prayer was offered by Rev. D. B. COE, D. D., of New York. An Abstract of the Executive Committee's Annual Report was read by the Secretary.

The audience then listened to a deeply interesting discourse in reference to Home Missions, by Rev. JAMES B. SHAW, D. D., of Rochester, New York, from Mark v. 19: "Go home to thy friends, and tell them how great things the Lord hath done for thee, and hath had compassion on thee."

The exercises were closed with the Doxology and Benediction.

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REV. RICHARD S. STORRS, D. D.

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## ANNUAL REPORT.

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THE FIFTY-NINTH year of the labors of the MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY, terminates this evening. An important change in the executive department of the Society has occurred this year. The Rev. JOSEPH S. CLARK, D. D., having deemed it his duty to relinquish the office of Secretary, and enter another field of labor, Rev. HENRY B. HOOKER was appointed his successor, and entered upon the duties of the office in December last.

The Executive Committee cannot forbear this public reference to the laborious, able, and successful manner in which, for nineteen years, Dr. Clark discharged the duties of his office. Under his labors, and in promoting the cause of Home Missions, every part of the State has been diligently searched, the weakness and wants of feeble churches and destitute places have been brought to light, and the public mind, by judicious and earnest appeals, has been roused to sympathize and relieve. The Committee feel it both a duty and a privilege to make this record of the indebtedness of Home Missions, to his long continued and valuable services.

### The Treasury.

At the opening of this year, there was a balance in the hands of the Treasurer of \$1,229 25. The *receipts* since that time have amounted to \$26,996 25, besides \$13,890 60, gathered from the same field, by the same agency, which for convenience sake, the donors forwarded directly to the National Society at New York. The whole amount, therefore, received from Massachusetts for Home Missions, this year, has been \$40,886 85, which is more by \$2,268 01 than was received last year.

The *disbursements* have been \$4,560 for missionary labor performed in Massachusetts, \$1,218 74 in defraying incidental expenses pertaining to this Auxiliary, and \$35,108 11 paid into the Treasury of the American Home Missionary Society, to be employed on the field  
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## Tabular View.

The Society's operations within our own State, are exhibited, as heretofore, in a tabular form; showing the names of the missionaries, the date of their commissions and the fields of their labor; together with the progress of the churches, so far as their statistical returns will show it. Brief sketches of missionary labor and its results in the several stations, gleaned chiefly from quarterly reports, are subjoined.

Churches and Missionaries.	Date of Commission.	Length of com.	Dollars appropri'd.	Average cong'n.	Church members.	Added by prof.	Added by letter.	Infants baptized.	Reported conver.	Sab. sch. & B. cl.	Contributions to Home Missions.	Contributed to other objects.
1. ANDOVER, <i>Ballardvale</i> . Rev. Henry S. Greene, <i>P.</i>	March 1, 1857	12	200	200	53	2	5		7	150	30 00	36 00
2. AUSTELITZ, N. Y. Rev. Charles S. Sylvester, <i>s. s.</i>	Dec. 15, 1857	12	75	50						50		
3. BARNSTABLE, <i>Hgannis</i> . Rev. Charles Morgridge, <i>P.</i>	Jan. 1, 1858	12	300	100								
4. BOSTON, <i>German Church</i> . Rev. Louis B. Schwartz, <i>P.</i>	Nov. 17, 1857	12	200	203	132				30	190		120 00
5. BURLINGTON. Rev. Abel Patten, <i>s. s.</i>	April 20, 1857	12	100	100	30					60		
6. CANTON. Rev. Solomon Clark, <i>P.</i>	July 1, 1857	12	150	125	25				2	60	20 00	
7. CARLISLE. Rev. John Lawrence, <i>P.</i>	April 1, 1857	12	125	125	58	1			4	70	16 00	31 00
8. CHESTER, <i>Factories</i> . Rev. Zolva Whitmore, <i>s. s.</i>	July 1, 1857	12	200	65	21		1	2	25	8 00		
9. DANA. Rev. John Keep, <i>P.</i>	Jan. 1, 1858	12	150	115	33	2	3	1	13	70	16 00	49 00
10. DOUGLAS, <i>Centre</i> . Rev. G. B. Richardson, <i>s. s.</i>	Sept. 1, 1857	12	200	105	50							21 00
11. DOVER. Rev. John Haskell, <i>P.</i>	June 20, 1857	12	150	80	37		1	2	50	11 00		10 00
12. EASTHAM. Rev. E. Chase	April 15, 1857	12	50	75	49		1			5 00		
13. ERVING. Rev. Eli Moody, <i>s. s.</i>	March 1, 1858	12	200	100	35	2	2	1	4	60	11 00	10 00
14. FRANKLIN, <i>South</i> . Rev. Joseph Thayer, <i>s. s.</i>	Jan. 1, 1857	12	200	100	28	2		7				60 00
15. HAVERHILL, <i>East</i> . Rev. A. Burnham, <i>P.</i>	May 28, 1857	12	150	100	32	2			2	45	15 00	
16. HINGHAM. Rev. E. P. DYER, <i>P.</i>	Sept. 15, 1857	12	175	150	28	6	2	7		80	27 00	50 00
17. HOLLAND. Rev. Francis Wood, <i>s. s.</i>	April 15, 1857	12	150	100	39				1	69	22 00	32 00
18. HOLYOKE. Rev. J. B. R. Walker, <i>P.</i>	April 1, 1857	12	200	223	87	12	9	4	12	275	50 00	100 00

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19. HOUSATONIC. Rev. E. J. Giddings, <i>s. s.</i>	May 1, 1857	12	75	100	31					80	40 00	20 00
20. LITTLETON. Rev. E. Loomis, <i>s. s.</i>	Oct. 22, 1857	12	125	80	53	3				65	47 00	196 00
21. MENDON. Rev. E. Demond, <i>P.</i>	May 1, 1857	12	300	100	35	2	2	4		60	26 00	31 00
22. NEW SALEM. Rev. E. Curtis, <i>s. s.</i>	Nov. 1, 1857	12	150	80	37	1		1	40			
23. OTIS. Rev. T. A. Hall, <i>s. s.</i>	April 1, 1857	12	100	150	86	6	3	2	8	90	16 00	15 00
24. PITTSFIELD, <i>Colored.</i> Rev. S. P. Harrison, <i>P.</i>	Oct. 1, 1857	12	100	100	40	10	1	1		50	3 00	30 00
25. SHUTESBURY. Rev. J. Tisdale, <i>P.</i>	Oct. 1, 1856	12	150									
26. SPRINGFIELD, <i>Indian Orchard.</i> Rev. E. D. Murphy, <i>P.</i>	Sept. 21, 1857	12	200	100	51	9	17	3	20	60		60 00
27. STERLING. Rev. William Miller, <i>P.</i>	April 1, 1857	12	100	70	51		6			100		27 00
28. STOCKBRIDGE, <i>Curtisville.</i> Rev. George Uhler, <i>P.</i>	May 1, 1857	12	75	90	103	2	2	4	2	58		
29. TAUNTON, <i>East.</i> Rev. J. R. Cushing, <i>s. s.</i>	May 1, 1857	12	200	75	15	1			3	98	5 00	
30. WARWICK. Rev. H. M. Bridge, <i>s. s.</i>	Mar. 14, 1857	12	150	95	58	9	1	1	22	75	30 00	40 00
31. WATERTOWN. Rev. S. R. Dennen, <i>P.</i>	July 1, 1857	12	200	175	57	11	7	1	20	50		
32. WRENTHAM, <i>North.</i> Rev. Franklin Davis,	May 1, 1857	12	100	125	43			1	1	60	8 00	40 00

### Details of Missionary Labor and its Results.

1. **ANDOVER, Ballardvale.**—In this community are many troubles arising from the financial pressure. But in the progress of the year, and especially toward its close, the Spirit of God "has been present, animating believers and bringing sinners to Christ." Three of the disciples have died in the faith. Tidings have been received of the conversion, elsewhere, of those who had been religiously educated here. Religious meetings were never better attended. The temperance cause has been greatly revived. Two young men are preparing for the ministry.

2. **AUSTERLITZ, N. Y.**—This feeble church, greatly reduced by emigration and other causes, still depends upon our aid. From April of last year, when Mr. Utley left, till September, they were without preaching. Since that time, Rev. Charles S. Sylvester has been supplying them for one service

on the Sabbath. There is a congregation of about fifty persons, and there is a great desire for the blessings arising from the institutions of the gospel.

3. **BARNSTABLE, Hyannis.**—This church was served by different preachers till the first of January of the present year, when the Rev. Charles Morgridge was installed. This enterprise has the deep sympathies of the churches of the county, and is located among a population greatly needing the most decided evangelical influences. In the experience and devotion of their present pastor, there are important elements of success, and with the divine blessing, great good may be anticipated from his labors.

4. **BOSTON, German Church.**—Under many discouragements, the pastor has prosecuted his laborious work through the year. He serves a poor and floating population of foreigners; but he does not serve them in vain. Many have removed, but others have come in to fill up their places—no abatement in the number of hearers. A deep religious interest has prevailed. Twenty persons have been hopefully converted, five of them from Romanism. The independence of this church is delayed only by hard times.

5. **BURLINGTON.**—Rev. A. Patten closed his labors here in July last. The church is small and in great need of a higher tone of spiritual life. A new religious society has been formed during the year, in the movement for which, Mr. Patten's labors were suddenly brought to a close. Painful divisions exist, and strong faith is required to look through the gloom to brighter days.

6. **CANTON.**—Rev. Solomon Clark, the pastor, was dismissed in January. A neighboring pastor, who is without a charge, supplies them in the interval of procuring a pastor. A letter states that "there is at present an unusual interest in religion, quite a number are anxious, our meetings are better attended, and are marked by close attention to the preached gospel. It is in contemplation to erect a new place of worship in a more eligible location, by which it is believed the interests of religion will be much promoted."

7. **CARLISLE.**—A comfortable parsonage has been provided and paid for. A valuable instrument to aid the choir has also been obtained, rendering more acceptable and useful this part of the public worship of God. Various improvements have been brought to pass in the meeting-house, rendering it more attractive. "More than the usual amount of seriousness has of late prevailed, and prayer and other meetings are well attended."

8. **CHESTER, Factories.**—The pastor has had many discouragements in the existence of scepticism, rum-selling, intemperance, gambling, &c. But he is cheerful and hopeful, and girds himself manfully for his work. He says: "On the whole, I think that the present state of things among us is as favorable as at any time since I have been here. The members of the church and society appear to be encouraged, and often remark that their prospects have not, for some years, been so bright as at the present time."

9. **DANA.**—Besides a general state of religious prosperity during the year, a precious revival has been enjoyed. Thirteen are reported as having become interested in the great salvation. Emigration and death have removed valuable members of the church and congregation, but the pastor holds on steadily in his work of faith and labors of love, in the patience of hope.

10. **DOUGLAS, Centre.**—A commendable enterprise has so prevailed that the people have repaired and beautified their house of worship, and rendered it more inviting to the people and more worthy of the name of the sanctuary. Three persons have professed their faith in Christ, and harmony and union prevail among the people. Special divine influences have been enjoyed. There has been much suffering from the financial pressure. "Yet the ruinous policy of first looking out for themselves, and not aiding the Lord's cause, has been seen by the people, and the spirit of liberality is gaining ground. The people are kind and co-operative with the pastor."

11. **DOVER.**—The people here are happily united in their pastor. New families are coming in, who are likely to increase the congregation. There are some gratifying signs of increasing spiritual life. Had it not been for the straitness of the times, their sanctuary would have been repaired and beautified the present year.

12. **EASTHAM.**—This church has been greatly reduced by emigration, deaths, &c. The pastor, Rev. E. Chase, who has supplied them for several years, under increasing infirmities, retires the present spring from his care of the church; and the prospects of this ancient Zion have never seemed to have less of hopefulness than at present.

13. **ERVING.**—As the people here are engaged in manufacturing employments, they have suffered much from the times. In consequence of the failure of business, several valuable families have removed from town. There is good attention to public worship, and on weekly social meetings. General harmony prevails. Two vile grogeries have been closed, and all sale of intoxicating liquors in the village has been stopped. There is a growing spirit of benevolence toward the cause of Christ. Several hopeful conversions have occurred. There is a settled purpose to make all needful sacrifices to secure the preached gospel.

14. **FRANKLIN, South.**—A new and commodious meeting-house has been erected, and it was dedicated in July last. Some religious interest has existed and several conversions are reported. The pastor left in April. It is believed the people will not be content to remain long with any supply short of that furnished by a resident pastor.

15. **HAVERHILL, East.**—The pastor was ordained here, Sept. 30, 1857. The people are happily united in this youthful servant of God, who has begun his work under flattering auspices. Three were to unite with the church the first Sabbath in May. There is good attendance on public



worship and on social meetings. The pastor is greatly encouraged by the kindness and cordiality of the people.

16. HINGHAM.—All the usual means of grace have been in vigorous operation during the year. The temperance cause has made progress, and the people have shown commendable zeal in the various causes of Christian benevolence. Six persons have professed their faith in Christ during the year. One young man, a member of this church, is in college, and has the ministry in view. The pastor thus concludes his report: "The congregation is increasing. Prayer-meetings are much more fully attended. Three cases of hopeful conversion have occurred since the first of April; others are inquiring, and many are more than usually interested. Every thing looks more encouraging than it has any time for ten years."

17. HOLLAND.—This little band of believers are still struggling with discouragements and difficulties, which have been augmented by the recent destruction of their house of worship by fire. They have not given way to sadness, but, with commendable energy and zeal, have set about the erection of a new one, which it is hoped will be ready for use in the autumn. For months past a sense of obligation to live for Christ, and to make special efforts to promote his kingdom, have been deepening. The spirit of missions is on the increase, and a larger sum than usual has this year been given to benevolent objects.

18. HOLYOKE.—An interesting work of grace brought seven valuable members into the church in the spring of last year, and five more in the summer. The congregation has increased fifty per cent in the two and a half years of the pastor's residence here, and this, in spite of a gradual decrease of the population caused by the financial pressure. A very precious work of grace has lately brought many spiritual blessings. About forty indulge hope in Christ. The church has thus been, and will be, greatly strengthened. The stated congregation on the Sabbath was never so large. A decided triumph has been gained in the temperance cause—all the drinking places having been closed, and the traffic in intoxicating liquors brought to an end. This has been a year of great gain to all the interests of morality and piety.

19. HOUSATONIC.—The pastor, Rev. E. J. Giddings, left in September last. Up to that time there had been an increasing average attendance on public worship. The church edifice has been repaired and beautified. Tracts have been distributed with happy influence in increasing attendance on public worship. The financial pressure has caused much privation and suffering.

20. LITTLETON.—This church enjoys general outward prosperity. It has a flourishing Sabbath school. For a library, and case for the same, thirty dollars have been expended during the year. The monthly missionary concert is one of the most interesting of their religious services. An increase of the congregation over last year. "Some very excellent and good."

members of the church have uniformly manifested the fruits of a living, growing and fruitful piety." Recently a deeper interest has been manifested in divine things, and an earnest desire that the grace of God, so abundantly displayed elsewhere, may be enjoyed by this feeble branch of Zion.

21. MENDON.—There is wealth and material here for a good religious society; but various forms of error have long prevailed, and great apathy in regard to divine things has existed. "The discouragements are many, and the field exceedingly hard." Yet the little church clings to the great doctrines of the gospel, and longs to have their spiritual power felt by the surrounding multitudes. The pastor still struggles manfully on, and with the lovers of Zion about him can say, "We wait and labor, and pray and hope for a blessing."

22. NEW SALEM.—No important change has occurred in this field the past year. The pastor has held on unwearied in his faithful labors. Sickness has often thinned the congregation. The church is united in the pastor, and the people greatly prize the institutions of the gospel; but will yet longer need missionary aid in sustaining them.

23. OTIS.—Rev. T. R. Hall continues his acceptable and useful labors here. There is a steady improvement in religious matters. Six by profession, and four by letter, have been added to the church during the year, and eight hopeful converts are reported. The temperance cause has gained ground during the year. A flourishing Sabbath school is doing good among the young. The financial pressure has caused much distress; but the people are hopeful of increased religious prosperity.

24. PITTSFIELD, *colored*.—This church continues to enjoy spiritual prosperity. The revival reported last year has had a happy influence, extending through the whole year. The pastor received an invitation to a more eligible field, with the offer of double his present salary; but, determined to "abide among his own people,"—a course to be highly commended. His report mentions as encouraging things—the attendance on the usual Sabbath services, increased interest in prayer meetings, and the disposition of the people to do all in their power to sustain the preaching of the gospel.

25. SHUTESBURY.—This church has long been dependent on missionary aid. Emigration and other causes have taken away, at one time or another, efficient supporters of the gospel. The Rev. Mr. Tisdale left them in September, and they have had only occasional preaching since. The few friends of Zion there prize the precious institutions of religion, and seem disposed to do what they can to sustain them.

26. SPRINGFIELD, *Indian Orchard*.—This church and society, being in a manufacturing community, has suffered much from the hard times. Many persons have removed elsewhere. In the early spring, special divine influences were enjoyed. Fifteen expressed hope. The church has doubled in a year and a half. But for the financial embarrassments, this church would

have ceased to ask aid. Rev. E. D. Murphy, who had been eminently useful there, left in April. "In regard to our present condition," says a letter, "there is and has been for two or three months past, very much to encourage us. We have shared largely in the grace that has been watering other churches. Out of some sixty or seventy who, three months ago, were irreligious, and some of them opposers, from twenty to twenty-five are rejoicing in Christ. Others are inquiring. Aside from the gloom that hangs over the cotton manufacturing interest everywhere, and which, we trust, is but temporary, our little society has never been more prosperous than at the present time.

27. **STERLING.**—There has been here the slow, but steady progress of divine truth,—and increasing spirituality of Christians. The interest in a flourishing Sabbath school has been increased by a new library. Progress has also been made in the temperance cause. Commendable sacrifices are made to sustain the gospel. Sabbath evening meetings are well attended and are very useful, reaching, by their good influence, numbers not attending the regular Sabbath services.

28. **STOCKBRIDGE, Curtisville.**—Depression of business still keeps the church feeble. The little society continues harmonious. Seven presented themselves at a late church meeting, for admission to the church, and five more are to unite also at an early day. A number more anticipate performing the same duty. "The gracious Spirit, so manifestly present in other places, is not wholly passing us by."

29. **TAUNTON, East.**—The church in this place has severely felt the pressure of the times, by which many supporters have been reduced to great privation. The pastor has suffered much from ill health. Spiritualism has done its best to delude the people, and with some success. These things are among the discouragements which have pained the pastor's heart. Yet he has gone on manfully and zealously in his work, and labors in earnest hope that drooping Zion shall yet enjoy seasons of refreshing from the presence of her King. There have been three cases of hopeful conversion.

30. **WARWICK.**—Among many trials and discouragements, the missionary has kept on steadily and faithfully in his work, and has been permitted to witness a precious revival, continuing through the winter, in which some twenty persons have indulged hope. Nine have already joined the church. The pastor is cheered with the thought that, though many of the most promising youth remove to other places, yet they go to promote elsewhere the kingdom of God.

31. **WATERTOWN.**—The congregation is steadily increasing. The church are united, and co-operate in every good word and work. Error abounds, and is strong and influential. But the Spirit of God has been largely poured out. One-quarter of the congregation has been reckoned as converts. "The future is hopeful," writes the missionary, "and with a little longer care of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, we hope we shall be able to

assume our place among the self-supporting churches, and begin to pour back into the Lord's treasury what we have received."

32. WRENTHAM, *North*.—Many of the members of the church are advanced in life, and there is but little enterprise in the community at large. The congregation, however, has been well sustained—prayer-meetings well attended, and the Sabbath school in a good condition. Though the pastor has been often discouraged that no greater progress has been made, yet he holds resolutely on, in the conviction that a pleasant morning will follow the present darkness, and that he shall reap in due time if he faints not. His last report informs us that "a number are seriously impressed, and a few are rejoicing in hope."

### Summary.

There were thirty-five churches under our care at the date of the last Report. There are now thirty-two; five having ceased to need or ask our aid, and two having been received upon our list during the year.

The servants of Christ on our missionary field, have been pursuing their laborious work with exemplary zeal and fidelity during the year. They are not upon the high places of the earth, but for the most part in the secluded and neglected corners of the Lord's vineyard. They occupy the out-posts of Zion. They are among the old wastes, and are doing the humble office of repairing the former desolations. They have not sought great things for themselves; but have been content to labor patiently on in raising up the fallen tabernacles of David.

If it has been a year of trials, not only those common to all times, but of peculiar trials in consequence of the financial disasters of the land, so also has it been a time when he who has sowed in tears, has reaped in joy. It is believed that, not only those churches which have enjoyed special divine influences have been prospered, but all the rest also have derived rich spiritual blessings from the steady ministrations of the gospel. We count, that no missionary year fails of adding something to the glory and beauty of Zion.

The servants of God in the thirty-two churches in our field, have had under their care this year, *thirteen hundred and eighty-seven* members of the visible church, whom they have been seeking to "build up in their most holy faith;" and, obedient to the great Shepherd's command, "Feed my lambs," they have been seeking the highest welfare of more than *two thousand children* and youth connected with their respective Sabbath schools.

They have ministered to eight hundred and sixteen families, containing more than three thousand three hundred people, as the aver-

age attendance on Sabbath services; while more than thrice that number have come, more or less, under their religious influence.

They have had the pleasure of welcoming *seventy-eight* persons into the church, on profession of their faith, coming in to share with their fellow-Christians, in every work of faith and labor of love.

Sixty-seven have also been received from other churches by letter, and *one hundred and fifty-five conversions* have been reported.

An earnest desire for the highest prosperity of our Mission Churches, has caused considerable discussion and inquiry in regard to the amount of aid granted to such churches, the belief having been entertained, in some quarters, that such aid has fallen short of what was needed. At their meeting in June last, the General Association of Massachusetts appointed a Committee to inquire into this subject, and ascertain the facts, and report to the General Association of the present year. It is understood that this Committee have attended to the duty assigned them, and will report at the approaching meeting in June. It is believed that some important facts and principles in regard to Home Missionary policy, will then be presented, which will aid in a more vigorous and successful prosecution of the work.

The Executive Committee, charged with the duty of carrying forward this enterprise in this State, will thankfully receive all the light that can be furnished from any quarter, it being their simple aim to do all the good to the feeble churches under their care consistent with all the other interests intrusted to them.

Our missionary year has been marked by an event which has borne a very important relation to all our benevolent associations. As their incomes and means of usefulness depend upon the voluntary offerings of the people, all derangements of business affairs must very soon be disastrously felt by these institutions. Any providence of God that throws masses of men out of employment, or creates a panic in which men become distrustful of each other, or which, in any way, clogs the wheels of industry,—such an event cuts off the regular income of the people, and powerfully impels them to grasp fast what they already have, in fear of coming want, and renders them less approachable by benevolent appeals. Under these circumstances they become reluctant to give, even though possessing the means. The pressure of the times becomes an easily used and plausible argument to withhold more than is meet.

At the same time it has been true, that great numbers of the friends of our benevolent institutions have been actually thrown from the position of competence to that of poverty; from the possession of ample means to circumstances so straitened, that they have been com-

pelled to make the painful response of a denial to appeals never before resisted, and to refuse aid to causes they most tenderly love.

But it is gratifying to see, that, while the straitness of the times has caused, in many quarters, a more self-denying benevolence, it has also caused a similar result in some at least of our Mission Churches, so that out of their deep poverty, their liberality has abounded, and they have not been backward to share in the burdens of their brethren. Some special acts of self-sacrifice have done an important service in relieving the treasury.

And here it should be said, it has never been thought proper to suffer a Mission Church, because its circumstances are straitened, to feel that it might be excused from taking part, by pecuniary offerings, in promoting the great objects of Christian benevolence. It is enjoined upon them, that they forget not to do good and to communicate, in that with such sacrifices God is well pleased. Hence offerings are expected from all the churches we aid, to the various institutions of Christian benevolence, and the results are called for in their annual reports. The present year has been one of heavy pressure upon these churches, inasmuch as many of them are situated in manufacturing villages, which, more than other places, have been straitened. We have, however, in the aggregate, the sum of \$1,430, given by the churches, during the year, to benevolent objects.

Another important event has marked the missionary year. While these churches have been straitened in pecuniary matters, they have not been straitened in regard to spiritual blessings. We are permitted to record, and rejoice over the fact, that the land, and almost the whole land, has been blest with a more bountiful effusion of the Spirit of God than has been granted, in the same time, and over such an extent of country, since the world began. It has been the great voice of God to the nation. Prophecy has had a wonderful fulfillment: "I will say to the North, give up, and to the South, keep not back; bring my sons from afar, and my daughters from the ends of the earth."

The gathering of such great numbers, of all ages, into the church of God, and into the work of promoting the kingdom of Christ on earth, cannot but powerfully affect for good, in due time, all the great benevolent institutions of the day. Hundreds of thousands of warm hearts have been summoned into contact with the various departments of Christian activity, and vast strength has been added to Zion. And, while our strong churches have been, in such numbers, strengthened,—our feeble churches have had gracious visits from the Infinite King, fulfilling gloriously ancient prophecy,—"He shall judge the poor of the people, he shall save the children of the needy, for he shall deliver the needy when he crieth, the poor also, and him that hath no helper."

Many of the Mission Churches of our own particular field, have been greatly blest. In proportion to the numbers in the congregations, there have not been elsewhere greater manifestations of the Spirit's power. From these churches we have reports of the conversion of *one hundred and fifty-five* individuals during the year, and revivals are yet in progress among them.

Thus have these neglected corners of the Lord's vineyard been objects of his special kindness and care; and when his servants had toiled on, disheartened and desponding, they have had occasion to say, "The Lord hath redeemed Jacob, and glorified himself in Israel."

We are not to be too confident respecting the amount of strength, for the support of the gospel, which these revivals may furnish, in that many of the subjects of grace are young persons, without the means of rendering essential aid. And the changing character of the population of many of these parishes is to be considered; for many of the subjects of grace, who, by remaining might be efficient helpers, find their permanent homes in other communities. Yet, every individual truly converted, adds to the spiritual strength of Zion; and, if not efficient helpers in supporting the gospel where they are converted, yet there, or elsewhere, they increase the number of the ransomed of the Lord, and make still greater the growing kingdom of God.

The intimate relation between us and the Parent Institution renders it proper to refer to the American Home Missionary Society. Its year has just closed; a year of love and labor for the best good of our common country. Gloomy clouds hung over the financial prospects of the year for a while, and the falling off of its income, suddenly and rapidly, threatened the most serious disasters. But the vigorous and earnest appeals made in its behalf were not in vain. The responses made to these urgent calls showed how deep a hold the missionary cause had taken of the hearts of its friends. And hence we are permitted to record the encouraging fact that the receipts of the National Society for the year, have fallen short of the former year only about two thousand dollars, a result as unexpected as it is animating to the lovers of this great work, and which should excite our warmest gratitude to God.

But the *spiritual* prosperity of the missions on the great field should make even a louder appeal. Over a very large part of that field the gracious influences of the Spirit of God have been diffused. One hundred and fifty-two missionaries report special works of grace among their flocks, and many of these revivals have been of great power, so that whole families, and even neighborhoods, have been made to rejoice in Him who has come down as rain upon the mown grass. The number of hopeful conversions reported, is four thousand four

hundred and fifty. No finite mind can comprehend the value of this blessing to the Zion of God in our day, and the Zion of the future. These revivals have greatly enlarged the borders of truth and righteousness. They have set the faces of immense multitudes steadfastly towards the kingdom of heaven. They have added a mighty host to the number that call upon the name of the Lord. They have greatly animated our hope that God designs to make the Zion of this land a perpetual excellency, and the joy of many generations. Under their power and influence, the servants of God, who went forth weeping, have returned again rejoicing, bringing their sheaves with them.

In view of all the facts disclosed by a review of the missionary year, we have reason to rejoice in the belief that the Home Missionary cause never occupied so important and desirable a position as it now holds. The state of its finances shows how dear it is to the hearts of the people, while the infinitely precious spiritual blessings bestowed from on high, show how dear it is to the heart of INFINITE LOVE.



## TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr. The Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in account with Benjamin Perkins, Treasurer. Cr.

For paid Missionaries the past year, . . . . .	\$ 4,560 00	By balance last year, . . . . .	\$ 1,220 25
" American Home Missionary Society, . . . . .	22,000 00	" Contributions and Legacies, . . . . .	26,996 25
" Salaries, traveling and incidental expenses, . . . . .	1,218 74	" Interest on Fund, . . . . .	799 33
" A. B. C. F. M. from Mrs. Osborne's Fund, . . . . .	77 00	" Interest on Mrs. Osborne's Indian Fund, . . . . .	77 00
Balance to new account, . . . . .	1,346 09	" Payment on Mortgage, . . . . .	100 00
	<u>\$ 20,201 83</u>		<u>\$ 20,201 83</u>

Boston, May 15, 1858.

BENJAMIN PERKINS, TREASURER.

Boston, May 22, 1858. I have examined the above account of the Treasurer of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, and find the same correctly cast and properly vouched.

CHARLES SCUDDER, AUDITOR.

NOTE.—In addition to the foregoing receipts, \$13,800 00, in the form of donations, contributions, and legacies, have been forwarded to the American Home Missionary Society from different parts of the State, which are not included in this Report, because they did not pass through this Treasury.

## DONATIONS,

From May 15, 1857, to May 15, 1858.

<i>Ashby</i> , Cent Soc. to const. Mrs. Huldah Burr L. M.	\$ 30 00
Orthodox Cong. Soc. \$10; \$15;	25 00
<i>Amesbury and Salisbury</i> , Cong. Soc. \$30; \$30;	60 00
<i>Abington, South</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. \$35; \$18 25;	53 25
East, Cong. Soc. to const. Amos A. Phelps L. M.	34 00
<i>Attleboro'</i> , Female Benev. Soc.	42 62
<i>Adams</i> , Rev. J. J. Dana,	35 00
<i>Andover</i> , South Ch. and Soc. coll. \$184 58; mon. conc. \$65 42; do. do. \$17 35;	267 35
S. T. Cooper,	12 00
South, mon. conc. \$31 63; S. T. Cooper, \$5; Edward Taylor, \$15;	51 63
do. do. \$14; S. T. Cooper, \$1;	15 00
Phillips Academy, Soc. of Inquiry to const. Wm. W. Dow L. M. Am. H. M. S.	27 00
West Par. to const. George Russell L. M.	76 88
Ballardvale Union Soc. to const. John H. Windsor L. M.	30 00
Henry Willard,	10 00
<i>Amherst</i> , Legacy of the late Rev. Joseph Haven,	50 00
Legacy of Mrs. Phebe Moore, by E. S. Snell, Ex'r,	170 00
Faculty and students of Amherst College,	112 38
North, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	31 60
Ladies' and Gent's Benev. Assoc. \$20; \$145 39;	163 39
South, Cong. Soc. to const. Oren Williams L. M. Am. H. M. S.	30 00
<i>Amesbury, West</i> , Rev. Mr. Thompson's Soc. to const. Stephen Kelley and Mrs. Ann Whitier L. M.	125 58
<i>Ashland</i> , Miss. Soc.	5 00
<i>Amherstdale</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	218 12
<i>Braintree</i> , 1st parish quarterly coll. \$21 18; \$37; \$17; \$19;	94 18
Mon. conc.	39 00
South, A friend,	1 00
<i>Brookfield Assoc.</i> —S. M. Lane, Treas. viz:—Charlton, Cong. Soc. \$24 65; Dana, \$17; Hardwick, \$54 30; Oakham, \$30; New Braintree, \$20; Coll. at meeting of Conference. \$10 96;	155 91
<i>Brookfield</i> , Legacy of Mrs. Elizabeth Ellis, by Baxter Ellis, Ex'r,	18 00
West, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	22 00
<i>Bolton</i> , Trin. Cong. Soc. mon. conc. \$34 42; coll. \$52 20;	86 62
<i>Berlin</i> , A friend,	5 00
<i>Beverly</i> , Washington Street Soc. to const. John Safford and Mrs. Elizabeth H. Savary L. M. Am. H. M. S.	75 00
Peter Heman to const. him L. M.	30 00
<i>Burlington</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	2 80
<i>Barre</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	92 00
<i>Berkshire and Columbia H. M. Soc.</i> —E. A. Bliss, Tr.	105 00
<i>Belchertown</i> , Benev. Assoc. to const. Harrison Root and Lyman Sabin L. M.	65 00
<i>Bridgewater</i> , Trin. Cong. Soc. \$11 54; mon. conc. \$17 46; friend, \$1 to const. Abiel Bassett L. M.	30 00
<i>Boston</i> , Maverick Ch. and Soc.	42 26
A friend, \$5; F. S. M. \$4; a lady, \$3; friend, \$5; a friend, to const. Mrs. Martha V. Hooker, Arthur B. Tufts, and Mrs. Annie H. Tufts, L. M. \$100;	117 00
Park Street Ch. and Soc. Annual Coll.	1,429 66
Pine Street do. do.	70 25
Shawmut do. do.	700 07
Salem Street do. do.	57 62
Old South do. do.	900 61
Bowdoin Street do. do.	540 00
Phillips do. do.	140 00
Central do. do.	401 50
Essex Street do. do.	1,076 25
Mount Vernon do. do.	549 19
A friend,	25 00

<i>Chatham, Ladies' Benev. Soc. to const. Mrs. Mary Emery L. M.</i>	\$ 30 00
<i>Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	5 00
<i>Ladies' Benev. Soc. in full to const. Mrs. E. S. Danforth L. M.</i>	15 00
<i>Cambridgeport, Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	93 16
<i>Carver, Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	7 01
<i>Chazy, N. Y. Miss Ann Hubbell,</i>	10 00
<i>Chelsea, Chestnut St. Ch.</i>	65 30
<i>Cambridge, Ladies' Miss. Soc., Shepard Ch.</i>	65 13
<i>Shepard Ch. and Soc. \$31 08 of which from mon. conc.</i>	151 08
<i>Centreville, Cong. Ch. and Soc. \$23 26; \$11 70;</i>	34 96
<i>Chester Factories, Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	8 60
<i>Clinton, Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	80 89
<i>Canton, Cong. Soc. in full to const. Rev. Solomon Clark L. M.</i>	20 00
<i>Charlestown, Winthrop Ch. and Soc.</i>	415 07
<i>James Hunnewell to const. Rev. James B. Miles L. D. Am. H. M. S.</i>	100 00
<i>Charlmont, East, Cong. Soc. to const. Rev. Aaron Foster L. M. Am. H. M. S.</i>	30 00
<i>Dorchester, Village Ch., Ladies' H. M. Soc. to const. Mrs. R. Hutchinson, Mrs.</i>	
<i>Hannah Johnson, and Mrs. Julia Swan, L. M.</i>	119 06
<i>Village Ch. by Rev. Mr. Munger,</i>	27 41
<i>Rev. Mr. Means's Soc. \$40 from T. D. Quiney to const. William Wales</i>	
<i>L. M.; \$30 from James Clap to const. Joseph H. Clap L. M.</i>	294 08
<i>Ladies' H. M. Soc.</i>	168 50
<i>2d parish, Neponset, H. M. Soc.</i>	40 00
<i>Mrs. Blake to const. Mrs. Sarah Cutler L. M.</i>	30 00
<i>Dennis, South, Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	17 00
<i>Danvers, 1st Ch. to const. Mrs. Mary P. Braman and Miss Betsey F. Putnam L. M.</i>	
<i>Am. H. M. Soc.</i>	60 00
<i>Dartmouth, South Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Mrs. Betsey Thatcher L. M.</i>	35 45
<i>Dunstable, Cong. Soc. \$19; W. Dunn, \$10;</i>	29 00
<i>Dover, Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	12 30
<i>Douglas Centre, Cong. Soc. mon. conc.</i>	7 00
<i>Dedham, Rev. Dr. Burgess's Soc.</i>	84 00
<i>do. do. Female Miss. Soc.</i>	41 00
<i>Mrs. Jerusha Bingham,</i>	5 00
<i>South, Cong. Soc. \$25; Mrs. Lewis Morse, \$2;</i>	27 00
<i>Dudley, Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	46 00
<i>Miss Maria Bates,</i>	3 00
<i>Dana, Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	20 00
<i>Exeter, N. H. Legacy of Mrs. Mary H. Emery,</i>	30 00
<i>Essex North Aux. Soc.—James Caldwell, Tr.:</i>	
<i>From Rev. T. D. Fisk's Soc. to const. Miss Elizabeth Merrill, Mrs. Ann</i>	
<i>M. Chapman, A. W. Miltimore, James Kennister, Moses A. Carrier, Wil-</i>	
<i>ham Jackman and Nathan B. Blake, L. M. Am. H. M. S.</i>	225 58
<i>Do. Coll. at Conference, \$10 22; Newbury, Rev. Dr. Withington's Soc.</i>	
<i>\$30 37; Salisbury, a friend, \$4; Newburyport, Dr. Dimmick's Soc. mon.</i>	
<i>conc. \$18 56; Newbury, Byfield Parish, \$10 85;</i>	74 00
<i>East Douglas, Ladies' Benev. Soc. to const. Mrs. Persis G. Hunt L. M.</i>	30 00
<i>Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	20 00
<i>East Medway, 1st Ch. and Soc. to const. Miss Marinda Daniels L. M.</i>	54 23
<i>A friend,</i>	2 00
<i>Enfield, Benev. Soc. to const. Augustus Moody, George Kimball, Sumner Thomp-</i>	
<i>son, Misses Sarah D. Blodgett, Ellen Carey, Ann Hawes, Irene Southwick,</i>	
<i>Abby J. Pope, Eliza M. Ayers, and Mrs. Eliza Carey, L. M. Am. H. M. S.</i>	425 00
<i>Legacy of Ansel Forbes,</i>	100 00
<i>Falmouth, Miss Susan Bourne, dec'd,</i>	10 00
<i>Rev. Dr. Hooker's Soc.</i>	81 00
<i>North, Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	5 00
<i>East, Cong. Soc. in full to const. Isaac H. Hatch L. M.</i>	30 06
<i>Benjamin Hatch,</i>	5 00
<i>Fall River, Central Cong. Soc. to const. Mrs. Mary F. Crane L. M. Am. H. M. S.</i>	268 11
<i>Central Ch. and Soc. \$30 of wh. from J. A. C. to const. Ellen C. Crane L. M.</i>	
<i>Am. H. M. S.</i>	221 00
<i>Franklin County H. M. Soc.—S. S. Eastman, Tr., viz.:</i>	
<i>Leverett, Cong. Soc. \$15 67; Shelburne, Ladies' Assoc. \$27 37; Gent's</i>	
<i>do. \$22 75; Warwick, Trin. Ch. \$30 50;</i>	96 29
<i>Do. Erving, \$26; Montague, \$7 99; West Hawley, \$2 25; Ashfield, 1st</i>	
<i>Soc. Gent's Assoc. \$12 20; Ladies' do. \$6 10; Bernardston, \$4 75;</i>	
<i>South Deerfield, Monument Soc. to const. N. I. Johnson L. M. \$30;</i>	89 29
<i>Do. Montague, \$34 58; Gill, \$10; Buckland, \$22 62; Conway, Rev. Mr.</i>	
<i>Adams's Soc. \$80 08; Rev. George Adams to const. Rev. W. W. How-</i>	
<i>land L. M. \$30;</i>	197 28

, Evan. Ch. and Soc. to const. Mrs. Harriot C. Carter, Miss. Louisa mes, Miss Mary J. Pratt, L. M.	\$ 100 00
eligious Char. Soc. to const. Mrs. Levi Simonds, Mrs. Ebenezer Thurs- lired Wetherbee, Mrs. Charles H. Whitney, Mrs. Stephen Shepley,	186 63
H. M. Soc. to const. Mrs. Sarah R. W. Leverett L. M. Am. H. M. S.	42 01.
ney,	5 00
of Mrs. Elvira Crocker, by A. Thurston, to const. Jonas Holden L. M.	50 00
ng. Ch. and Soc.	22 50
it Cong. Ch. and Soc.	86 27
ong. Ch. and Soc.	13 61
ong. Soc. to const. Miss Mary Whitecomb L. M.	46 68
Cong. Ch. and Soc.	38 02
arbor, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	30 00
oc. balance of contribution.	3 50
un. Ch. and Soc. to const. Mrs. Eliza Woodbury, Mrs. David W. Car- and Mrs. Josiah H. Hammond, L. M.	90 00
g. Ch. and Soc. to const. Perez Cook, Reuben R. Eastman, Joseph gue, Andrew White, Horace Witt, and Samuel F. Eastman, L. M. I. M. S.	207 20
lies' Miss. Assoc.	20 45
g. Ch. and Soc. to const. Mrs. Sarah M. Paine L. M.	49 36
ng. Soc.	17 00
van. Ch. and Soc.	12 00
ng. Soc. \$94 10; mon. conc. \$50;	144 10
h. and Soc.	50 00
adies' Miss. Soc. to const. Mrs. Sarah B. Crooks L. M.	34 00
of legacy of Samuel Goddard, and interest,	498 10
entre Ch. and Soc. mon. conc.	27 45
Do. do. to const. E. G. Frothingham, John Currier, and Caroline Corliss, L. M. Am. H. M. S.	97 00
	15 00
ference, Coll. at semi-annual meeting,	42 00
g. Cong. Soc.	21 91
of missions,	9 00
th, 2d Cong. Soc.	22 00
Cong. Soc. to const. Rev. J. B. R. Walker L. M.	50 00
s. Mercy Rogers,	2 00
ng Ch.	3 50
untly H. M. Soc. H. Brewer, Tr., including contributions from Mrs. Flynt, Monson, to const. William N. Flynt; 1st Cong. Soc. Spring- to const. Mrs. Hannah D. Hume; Ladies' Sewing Circle, Chicopee, to Rev. T. W. Hawks; 2d Cong. Ch. Westfield, to const. Henry L. M. Am. H. M. S.	1,044 64
iding payments as follows, viz.: 1st Ch. and Soc. Springfield, to const. Rice; Ladies' Sew. Soc. in do to const. Mrs. T. W. Hawks; Female Soc. Longmeadow, to const. William C. Goldthwaite; 1st Cong. Soc. see, to const. L. C. Clapp; Gent's Benev. Assoc. to const. William Daniel Burbank; do. to const. Samuel Kibbon, L. M. Am. H. M. S.; ng Soc. Huntington, to const. Garry Monson L. M.	633 14
iding \$30 by C. A. P. to const. Mrs. P. A. Alden L. M.	368 96
Mr. Southgate's Soc.	94 00
h S. school, for Western missions, by G. W. Heard,	60 00
Simeon Perry, \$50; \$40;	90 00
al Ch. and Soc.	30 00
emale H. M. Soc. \$10 36; \$10;	20 36
Lawrence St. Ch. and Soc. 37,59; 21,90;	59 49
St. Ch. \$79 55; \$25;	104 55
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re St. Ch.	21 90
Evan. Cong. Soc. to const. Eliphalet Bailey L. M.	30 15
ng. Ch. and Soc.	64 56
r. Gale's Soc.	95 50
rom A.	10 00
s. Catharine Reed,	10 00
Female H. M. Soc.	10 00
nion Ch. and Soc.	50 00
Legacy of Hannah Reed, by H. Hill and William Ropes, Ex'rs, Lucy Wadsworth, to const. her L. M.	1,000 00
	30 00

<i>Milton</i> , 1st Evan. Ch. and Soc. to const. Mrs. Mary Gile L. M.	\$ 40 86
<i>Malden</i> , Trin. Cong. Soc.	50 00
Sabbath School in do. for a Home Missionary in Kansas,	122 27
<i>Medway</i> , Village Ch.	21 00
Rev. C. Kimball,	10 00
<i>Middlesex North Aux. Soc.</i> —C. Lawrence, Tr. viz.:	
Boxboro', \$9 41; Harvard, \$57 77; Groton, to const. Peter Shawway	
L. M. \$50 50; Townsend, \$23 06; Littleton, \$47 18; Locometer,	
\$15 11; Shirley, \$9 24;	210 94
<i>Marshfield</i> , 1st Ch. and Soc.	32 00
<i>Medford</i> , Mystic Ch. and Soc.	52 25
Rev. Mr. Marvin's Soc.	52 00
<i>Methuen</i> , Joseph Howe, Esq. to const. Milton G. Howe L. M.	30 00
<i>Middleboro'</i> , 1st Ch. and Soc.	50 25
<i>North</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	22 35
<i>Medfield</i> , Mrs Sarah A. Goodale,	1 00
<i>Milford</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	21 35
<i>Middleton</i> , Ladies' H. M. Soc. to const. Rev. Amos H. Johnson L. M.	30 00
<i>Milbury</i> , 1st Ch. and Soc. to const. Mrs. F. W. Garrette L. M.	42 00
<i>North Adams</i> , Gardner White, \$1; \$1;	2 00
<i>Newton</i> , Eliot Ch. and Soc. \$106 75; \$122 23;	228 98
I. C. Bixby, a thank offering,	15 00
1st Ch. and Soc. to const. William Chaffin and Roswell W. Turner L. M.	72 00
do. in full, to const. Ephraim Jackson and Albert Little L. M.	81 37
do. coll. \$76 59; mon. conc. \$47 09; to const. Charles Brackett, Ephraim Grover, Isaac Kingsbury, and George K. Ward, L. M.	193 65
<i>Corner</i> , Cong. Soc.	75 00
Rev. Mr. Furber's Soc. \$25; \$10;	35 00
<i>Newburyport</i> , Capt. N. Smith,	35 00
A lady, \$5; a friend, \$2;	7 00
Rev. Dr. Dimmick's Soc.	92 45
Fem. H. M. Soc. in Rev. Mr. Campbell's Ch. to const. Mrs. John Caldwell L. M. Am. H. M. S.	35 00
Ladies' Gleaning Circle to const. Mrs. Caroline P. Hills L. M.	35 00
Ladies' Indiana Soc.	15 00
<i>Newbury</i> , Rev. Dr. Withington's Soc. to const. Miss Lucy Coffin L. M.	35 00
Ladies' Reading Soc. to const. Mrs. Caroline Withington L. M.	31 25
West, Stephen Poor,	1 00
A friend,	2 00
<i>New Braintree</i> , Cong. Soc.	4 00
<i>New Bedford</i> , North Ch. and Soc.	52 85
<i>Orleans</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Joseph Doane L. M.	30 00
<i>Oxford</i> , Rev. Mr. Bardwell's Soc. \$56; Ladies' Sew. Circle, \$34;	90 00
<i>Oakham</i> , Bal. of contribution,	30 00
<i>Otis</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	21 00
<i>Princeton</i> , Rev. Mr. Brigg's Soc. to const. Henry Boyles L. M.	50 56
<i>Peru</i> , Donation of William Wetmore to const. Milo Stowell L. D. Am. H. M. S.	500 00
<i>Plymouth</i> , 3d Ch. and Soc. to const. Miss Hannah G. Holmes L. M.	32 00
2d Ch.	4 55
South Ch. and Soc.	19 00
<i>Phillipston</i> , Rev. Mr. Barnum's Soc. coll. \$66; Circle of Industry, \$24; to const. Mrs. Lucia F. Little, C. Sanderson, and Russell Carruth, L. M.	90 00
<i>Quincy</i> , Mrs. Lucy Marsh,	5 00
<i>Remington</i> , A friend,	10 00
<i>Rockport</i> , Miss. Sew. Circle in Rev. Mr. Gales's Soc. to const. Mrs. Reuben Brooks L. M.	30 00
<i>Royalston</i> , Rev. Mr. Bullard's Soc.	25 82
<i>Roxbury</i> , Eliot Ch. bal. of coll. 1856,	30 00
Eliot Ch. and Soc. 1857,	435 75
Eliot Soc. a friend,	20 00
Missionary Box, W. T. Wills,	9 70
Individuals in Vine St. Ch.	22 00
<i>Reading</i> , Old South Soc.	31 71
<i>Rehoboth</i> , Cong. Soc.	25 00
<i>Randolph</i> , 1st par. Cong. Soc.	40 00
<i>Rowley</i> , Rev. Mr. Pike's Soc.	48 30
<i>Rochester</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. including Rev. E. W. Harrington, \$10 50;	25 00
North, Mrs. Rebecca Tobey,	3 00
<i>Raynham</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	19 00

<i>Starbridge</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	\$ 104 25
<i>Scituate</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. §6 49; §11 38;	17 87
Trin. Cong. Ch.	6 21
<i>Spencer</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	115 00
A friend,	2 00
<i>Sunderland</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Rodolphus D. Fish and Frederick Beaman L. M.	60 00
to const. Mrs. Elihu Smith L. M.	48 45
<i>South Reading</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Mrs. M. Ellen Davis and Calvin Nichols L. M.	87 67
<i>South Danvers</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Nathan H. Poor, Henry Cook, Leonard Poole, Warren M. Jacobs, John Torr, David R. Gallop, and George F. Osborne. L. M.	263 68
<i>Sutton</i> , 1st Cong. Ch. and Soc.	34 00
<i>Somerville</i> , Cong. Soc.	25 00
<i>Sharon</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	25 33
<i>Salem</i> , Mrs. Sarah G. Warner, to const. her L. M.	30 00
South Soc. Mrs. Elizabeth Phillips, to const. her L. M.	100 00
Crombie Ch. and Soc.	91 00
<i>Stoneham</i> , Ladies' Benev. Soc. to const. Mrs. Sarah Sweetser L. M.	50 00
<i>Saxtonville</i> , Edwards Ch. and Soc.	29 11
<i>Southbridge</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	76 00
<i>Southboro'</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	20 00
<i>Stoughton</i> , Sanford Gay, to const. him L. D.	500 00
<i>Sherburne</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	15 77
<i>Templeton</i> , Cong. Soc. mon. conc. §8 29; Coll. §38;	46 29
A deceased friend, by Rev. L. Sabin,	5 00
<i>Taunton</i> , Trin. Cong. Soc. to const. James H. Anthony, Lovett Morse, and Charles J. S. Bassett. L. M. Am. H. M. S.	102 54
West Female Benev. Soc.	16 80
East, Trin. Cong. Soc.	5 00
Winslow Ch. and Soc.	33 00
<i>Trucksbury</i> , Ladies' Social Circle, Cong. Soc.	27 00
<i>Twino</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	29 00
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<i>Ware</i> , West Parish Ch. and Soc. §27 80; §27 42;	55 22
Village, Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Festus Spooner, Henry Ives, and Sanford Snow, L. M.	334 93
<i>Worcester</i> , Union Ch. and Soc. §76 73; §36 15;	112 86
Isabod Washburn,	125 00
David Whitcomb, §100, §200, §100, for support of a missionary in Kansas,	400 00
1st Ch. and Soc.	132 08
Central Ch. bal. of contrib. §47; coll. §186 73;	233 73
Rev. Dr. Sweetser's Soc.	31 60
A friend, by I. Washburn,	20 00
County, H. R. B.	10 00
<i>Woburn</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	172 00
Mark Downes,	1 00
<i>Westford</i> , Ortho. Cong. Soc.	10 75
<i>Walpole</i> , Ladies' Benev. Soc.	9 00
<i>Warren</i> , Cong. Soc. bal. of contrib.	10 61
<i>Whitinsville</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	114 33
<i>Wrentham</i> , Ladies' Domestic Miss. Soc. §20; §10;	30 00
1st Cong. Ch.	17 75
North, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	15 00
<i>Wayland</i> , Cong. Soc.	12 00
<i>Wareham</i> , A friend,	4 00
Cong. Ch. and Soc.	22 00
<i>West Roxbury</i> , A friend, §1; two friends, §4;	5 00
South Evan. Soc. to const. Mrs. Jane P. Warner, Mrs. Eliza Ann Kingsbury, Mrs. Sarah F. Harris, Artemas Wiswall, Jesse F. Kingsbury, and Mrs. Eliza S. Colby, L. M.	194 60
<i>Weymouth</i> , North, Rev. Mr. Emery's Soc.	88 38
Pilgrim Ch. and Soc.	18 00
South, Female Praying Soc.	24 00
and Braintree, Union Ch. Ladies' Evan. Soc. to const. Miss Rhoda W. Stetson L. M.	39 03
<i>Wellsfleet</i> , South, Cong. Soc.	8 00
<i>Waldoboro'</i> , Me., Samuel Morse,	10 00
<i>Wilmington</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	19 75
<i>Waquod</i> , Isaac D. Norton,	10 00
<i>Watson</i> , Mrs. Mary A. H. Bigelow, to const. Calvin Sherman L. M. Am. H. M. S.	30 00

Winchester, 1st Cong. Ch. to const. John Baxter L. M.	\$ 25 65
Calvin Richardson, to const. him L. M. \$36; \$50;	85 00
West Cambridge, Orthodox Cong. Soc.	273 74
Westboro', Evan. Ch. and Soc.	104 30
Do. Coll. \$59 69; mon. conc. \$20 21;	79 90
Wenham, Ladies' Reading and Char. Soc.	21 84
Yarmouth, Cong. Ch. and Soc. \$54 80; \$55;	109 80
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Barre, Ladies' Benev. Soc. a box; freight.	3 00
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Dedham, Mr. Burgess, two boxes.	
Hingham, Juvenile Miss. Sew. Circle, a box, valued at \$20 37; freight, \$3;	23 37
Holliston. A watch presented by Mrs. Tucker to Rev. John Haskell, Dover.	
Newburyport, Ladies in Rev. Mr. Campbell's Soc. one barrel, \$65 75; freight, \$3;	68 75
North Rochester, Ladies, a box; freight,	3 00
Norton, A package of clothing.	
Rockport, Frm. New. Soc. a barrel, valued at \$28; freight, \$4;	102 00
Rudbury, Ladies' Home Miss. Assoc. a box; freight,	3 00
Sunderland, Dorcas Soc. one barrel, \$30 32; freight, \$5;	35 32
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 Porter, Mrs C. S. do  
 Porter, Eleazer, Ware Village  
 Porter, H., Enfield  
 Porter, Mrs Hannah, Quincy  
 Potter, H. A., Waltham  
 Porter, John, Buckland  
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 Pratt, George, Medford  
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 Pratt, Mrs Mary B., Hillsdale, Mich.  
 Pratt, Miss Mary J., Framingham  
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 Pratt, Rev Stillman, Carver  
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 Prince, Rev J. M., Georgetown  
 \*Pritchard, Gilman, Boston  
 Proctor, John C. do  
 Proctor, Miss H. S., Boston  
 Proctor, Thorndike, South Danvers  
 Proudfit, Rev John  
 \*Punchard, John, Salem  
 Putnam, Mrs Lucy, Waltham  
 Putnam, Rev R. A., Chichester, N. H.  
 Putnam, Mrs Ruby H. G., Middleton  
 Putnam, Mrs Susanna, Danvers  
 Quincy, S. A., Dorchester  
 Rand, Charles F., West Roxbury  
 Randall, Mrs Ichabod  
 Randall, Ozias, Enfield  
 Rankin, John, Amherst  
 Ranney, L., Hardwick  
 Rawson, Rev Alanson, New Boston, N. H.  
 Rawson, Mrs Martha W. do  
 Raymond, Rev Stetson, Bridgewater  
 Reynolds, Rev Freegrace, Wilmington  
 Reed, Mrs H. A., Webster  
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 Reed, Rev F. A., Cohasset  
 Reed, Mrs Mary, Milton  
 \*Reed, William, Marblehead  
 Reed, Mrs Hannah, do  
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 Rice, Edward, Wayland  
 Rice, Rev Chauncey D., East Douglas  
 Rice, Mrs Tryphena, do  
 Rice, Mrs Eleazer, Ashby  
 Rice, Mrs John, do  
 Rice, Miss Harriet, Northboro'  
 Rich, Alexander G., Warren  
 Richards, Mrs George, Boston  
 Richards, Mrs Joseph, Braintree  
 Richards, Mrs Rachel, West Roxbury  
 Richards, Rev W. M., Deerfield  
 Richardson, Calvin, Winchester  
 Richardson, B. C., Ware  
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 Richardson, Rev Nathaniel, Berkley  
 Richardson, Sumner, Winchester  
 Richardson, Sumner, Woburn  
 Richmond, Rev T. T., West Roxbury  
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 Richmond, Zephaniah, Buckland  
 Ricker, Mark W., Amesbury  
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 Robinson, Mrs Hannah, Webster  
 Robinson, Rev R. T., Winchester  
 Robinson, Mrs R. T. do  
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 Rogers, Ebenezer, Newburyport  
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 \*Rogers, Rev William M., Boston  
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 , Stephen, Medway Village  
 , Charles, Marshfield  
 n, Abraham, Lunenburg  
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 Henry J., Ware  
 Ichabod, Belchertown  
 Rev James, Holland  
 Rev John, Amherst  
 Mrs N. W., Attleboro'  
 Abner, Amesbury  
 , John, do  
 , John R. do  
 , Orlando, do  
 , Richard, do  
 , Stephen, do  
 , Mrs M., Milton  
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 Mrs H. E., Fitchburg  
 Mrs Jeremiah, Newburyport  
 P. G., New Bedford  
 Miss Sarah, Taunton  
 rs Emily A., Marblehead  
 av J., Lynnfield  
 W. H., Warren  
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 rs Julia K. do  
 Miss Emily, Bradford  
 , Rev Charles, North Wrentham  
 , Lewis, Jr., South Marshfield

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 Simonds, Alvan, Boston  
 \*Simonds, Artemas, do  
 Simonds, Mrs Mary J. do  
 Simonds, Mrs Levi, Fitchburg  
 Skinner, Miss Charity, Shelburne  
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 Slate, Miss Catharine S., Bernardston  
 Small, Amos, Amesbury  
 Smiley, Francis, do  
 Smith, Rev Asa B., Buckland  
 \*Smith, Alvanus, Waltham  
 Smith, Brame, Sunderland  
 \*Smith, Rev George P., Worcester  
 Smith, George, West Roxbury  
 Smith, Mrs Humphrey, do  
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 Smith, Edmund M., Sunderland  
 \*Smith, Rev Ethan, Hanover  
 Smith, Edward, Fitchburg  
 Smith, Joel, Whitinsville  
 Smith, Mrs Lucy, No. Becket  
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 Smith, Miss Lucinda, do  
 \*Smith, Nathaniel, Sunderland  
 Smith, Peter, Andover  
 Smith, Miss Rebecca, do  
 Smith, Rev S. S. Warren  
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 Smith, Rev T. M. Gambia, O.  
 Smith, Nathaniel, Newburyport  
 Smith, Mrs Eliza, do  
 Smith, Rev H. B., New York  
 Smith, N. A., Sunderland  
 Smith, Richard, South Danvers  
 Smith, Miss Susan W., Boston  
 Snell, Melvin, Sturbridge  
 Snell, Thomas, D. D., North Brookfield  
 Soow, Mark, Chatham  
 Southworth, John, Dartmouth  
 Sparrow, Miss Sally, Orleans  
 Spaulding, Leonard, Millbury  
 Spaulding, Mrs Lyman, Ware  
 Spiller, Henry, Newburyport  
 Spooner, Festus, Ware  
 Spring, John H., Newburyport  
 Spring, Rev Samuel, East Hartford  
 Staples, Samuel, Dartmouth  
 \*Starkweather, E., Williamstown  
 Stearns, Mrs J., Fitchburg  
 Stearns, Mrs J. F., Newark, N. J.  
 Stearns, Rev J. G. D., Billerica  
 \*Stearns, Rev Samuel, Bedford  
 Stearns, Mrs Abigail, do  
 Steele, Rev J. M., Winchester  
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 Stevens, Miss Hannah, do  
 Stevens, Mrs M. J. G. do  
 Stickney, Mrs Annot, Amesbury  
 Stickney, Mrs Jane, do  
 Stockbridge, Mrs Abigail, North Hadley  
 Stockman, Mrs S. E., West Roxbury  
 Stockwell, Leonard, Grafton  
 Stoddard, Charles, Boston  
 Stone, Albert, Grafton  
 Stone, Rev Cyrus, Boston  
 Stone, Eben., Saxonville  
 Stone, Mrs Edith P., Lincoln  
 Stone, Levi, Greenfield  
 Stone, Luther, East Douglas  
 \*Stone, Rev Micah, Brookfield  
 Stone, Rev Rollin S., East Hampton  
 Stone, Rev T. D. P., Westboro'  
 Stone, Mrs Phebe C. do  
 Storrs, R. S., D. D., Braintree  
 \*Storrs, Mrs R. S. do  
 Storrs, Mrs Ann, do  
 Storrs, Rev R. S., jr., Brooklyn, N. Y.  
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 Styles, Phineas, Warwick  
 Sumner, Miss Hannah M., Newburyport  
 Sumner, John, do  
 Swallow, Rev J. E., Wilmington  
 Swallow, Joseph, Dunstable  
 Swan, Joseph C., Sunderland  
 \*Swan, Mrs Ruth, Dorchester  
 Swan, Mrs Julia, do  
 Sweet, Joseph, Shelburne  
 Sweet, Miss Lauritta, Attleboro'  
 Sweetser, Howard, Amherst  
 Sweetser, Luke, do  
 Sweetser, Miss Sally, Newburyport  
 Sweetser, Mrs Sarah, Stoughton  
 Sweetser, Mrs Sarah A. do  
 Taft, Miss Amanda, Uxbridge  
 Taft, Cyrus, Whitinsville  
 Taft, Merrick, Northbridge  
 Tappan, John, Boston  
 Tappan, Mrs Mary, Haverhill  
 Tappan, Rev S. S., Providence, R. I.  
 Taylor, A. H., Heath  
 Taylor, Cyrus, Dunstable  
 Taylor, E. M., Huntingtoa  
 Taylor, Edward, Andover  
 Taylor, Isaac, do  
 \*Taylor, Rev James, Sunderland  
 Taylor, Rev John, Northbridge  
 Taylor, Rev J., Wenham  
 Taylor, John, Medford  
 Taylor, Mrs Mary, Manchester  
 Taylor, Mrs O. A., do  
 Taylor, O. M., Yarmouth  
 Taylor, Miss Rebecca, Ashby  
 Taylor, Rev R., Manchester  
 Taylor, Mrs Esther W., do  
 Taylor, Samuel, Worcester  
 Taylor, Samuel S., Dunstable  
 Teel, John, Newburyport  
 Teel, Miss Sarah E., do  
 Teelo, Mrs Cornelia C., Milton  
 Tenney, Miss S. G., do  
 Tenney, Rev Francis V., Byfield  
 Terry, Mrs Esther, Sutton  
 Terry, Rev James, South Weymouth  
 Thatcher, Mrs Betsey, Dartmouth  
 Thatcher, Rev Tyler, California  
 Thatcher, Matthew, South Dartmouth  
 Thatcher, Samuel, Yarmouth  
 Thayer, Miss L. W., Boston  
 Thayer, Miss Susan, Natick  
 Thayer, Mrs Susan, North Braintree  
 Thayer, Rev William M., Ashland  
 Thayer, Mrs Rebecca M., do  
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 \*Thomas, Rev D., Abington  
 Thompson, Rev A. C., Roxbury  
 Thompson, Elmer B., Southboro'  
 Thompson, Mrs Martha C., do  
 Thompson, Rev L., South Hadley  
 Thorndike, Mrs Israel, Boston  
 Thurlow, Samuel, Newburyport  
 Thurston, Mrs Ebenezer, Fitchburg  
 Thurston, Mrs., Boston  
 Tidd, Samuel, Warren  
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 Tileston, Rev W., Charlemont  
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 Tolman, Rev E., Tewksbury  
 Tolman, James, Ware Village  
 Tolman, Joseph, Ware  
 Tolman, Mrs Hannah, Dorchester  
 Tolman, William E., do  
 \*Tomlinson, Rev D., Oakham  
 Torr, John, South Danvers  
 Torrance, Mrs J., Enfield  
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 Tower, Mrs A. D., Cummington  
 Tower, H. L., do  
 Towne, Salem, Charlton  
 \*Townsend, Rev S., Shelburne  
 Tracy, Rev Hiram A., Cincinnati, O.  
 Tracy, Mrs H. A., do  
 Train, Nathaniel, Enfield  
 Trask, Daniel, do  
 Trask, Mrs Mary, do  
 Trask, Charles H., Manchester  
 Tremlett, Mrs Thomas, Dorchester  
 Torrey, Charles W., Abington  
 Torrey, John E., do  
 Torrey, Miss Miranda, do  
 Trescott, Mrs Lois, Dorchester  
 Tucker, Abner R., So. Dartmouth  
 Tucker, Mrs Catharine, Dorchester  
 Tucker, Ephraim, Ware  
 Tucker, Jesse, Milton  
 Tucker, Lewis, do  
 Tucker, Mrs Louanna, Dorchester  
 Tucker, Mark, D. D., Wethersfield, Ct.  
 Tucker, Nathan, Milton  
 Tucker, Mrs Nathan, do  
 Tufts, Arthur B., Boston  
 Tufts, Mrs Annie H., do  
 Tufts, Miss Sarah C., West Brookfield  
 Tupper, Rev Martyn, Hardwick  
 Turner, N. G., Sunderland  
 Turner, Roswell W., Newton  
 Tuttle, Miss Sarah, Boston  
 Tuttle, Thomas S., Littleton  
 Tyler, Mrs Fanny, Attleboro'  
 Tyler, Rev William, Northampton  
 Underwood, A. G., Oxford  
 Underwood, Mrs E. A., do  
 Underwood, Rev G. W., Charlton  
 Upham, Otis, Waltham  
 Upton, Mrs Dorinda F., Buckland  
 Upton, Mrs Sophia M., Fitchburg  
 Utley, Rev Samuel, Austerlitz, N. Y.  
 Valentine, Mrs Joanna C., Cambridge  
 Viles, Jonas, Waltham  
 Vining, Spencer, South Abington  
 Vining, W. O., No. Waltham  
 Vinton, Miss Eliza A., Boston  
 Vinton, Josiah, do  
 Virgin, Miss Hannah, do  
 Vose, Mrs Charlotte, Milton  
 \*Vose, Thomas, Boston  
 Vose, William H., Fitchburg  
 Wadsworth, Mrs Lucy, Milton  
 Wait, Miss Rebecca, Medford  
 Wales, Thomas, North Bridgewater  
 Wales, William, Dorchester  
 Walker, Amasa, North Brookfield  
 Walker, Mrs Hannah, Sturbridge  
 Walker, Rev H. D., Abington  
 Walker, Miss Mary, Greenwich  
 Walker, Oramel, Enfield  
 \*Walker, Rev Samuel, Danvers  
 Walker, Rev Townsend, Huntington  
 Wallace, Mrs Emily, Fitchburg  
 Walley, S. H., Roxbury  
 Ward, Mrs Clarissa P., Warren  
 Ward, George K., Newton  
 Ward, Rev James W., Abington  
 \*Ward, Mrs J. W., do  
 Ward, Jonathan, Buckland  
 Ward, Mrs John, Enfield  
 Ward, P. N., Phillipston  
 Ward, Mrs Mary Ann, Newton  
 Ware, Rev Samuel, Deerfield  
 Warner, Mrs S., Enfield  
 Warner, Mrs Jane P., West Roxbury  
 Warner, W. R., Sunderland  
 Warren, Jonas, do  
 Warren, Mrs Sidney S., do  
 Warren, Mrs Sarah G., Salem  
 Warren, Leander, Leicester  
 Warren, Mrs Nancy, Greenwich  
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 William A., Winchester  
 n, Horatio, Kingston  
 Mrs Sarah A., West Roxbury  
 n, Frederick, Grafton  
 Rev I., Chesterfield  
 rs Susan, Greenwich  
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 imson, North Haverhill  
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 , Stephen, West Roxbury  
 e, Alfred, Fitchburg  
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 e, Merrick, Lunenburg  
 Mrs E. M., Conway  
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 t, Hiram H., Hartford, Wis.  
 t, Elizabeth D., do  
 ight, George S., Medford  
 , Miss Catharine F., Marblehead  
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 Henry, Salem  
 Justin B., East Douglas  
 Moses K., Warren  
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 b, Miss Abby B., Templeton  
 b, David, do  
 b, Mrs Margaret, do  
 b, Mrs Mary A., Greenwich  
 b, Rev W. C., Southbridge  
 Mrs, West Brookfield  
 Bailey, Randolph  
 rs E. A. R., Orleans  
 sv Jacob, do  
 mas, Worcester  
 sv O. H., New York city  
 sv Soeacs, Marshfield  
 rs Susan H., Marblehead  
 ames F., Whitinsville  
 aul, Northbridge  
 Rev F. L., Giff  
 Rev Lyman, Portsmouth, N. H.  
 Mrs Charles H., Fitchburg  
 Josiah, Westminster  
 Mrs Mary A., Waltham  
 Miss Elizabeth J., do  
 b, Joshua, Abington  
 r, Mrs Hannah, Ashland  
 rs, Benjamin F., Boston  
 rs, Mrs B. F., do  
 rs, B. F. jr., do  
 rs, M., West Roxbury  
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 sv Daniel, Scituate  
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Wilder, Rev M. H., Barwich  
 Wilder, Miss Tamar, Hingham  
 Wiley, Mrs Susan, Stoneham  
 Wilkins, Mrs Cyrus K., Middleton  
 Wilkison, Rev E., Abington  
 Willard, Mrs Lucy, Cambridge  
 Willey, Rev Worcester, Ashby  
 \*Williams, Rev A., Dudley  
 Williams, Miss Abby, Taunton  
 Williams, Abel B., Northbridge  
 Williams, Rev Dilce, Feedinghills  
 Williams, Joseph, Newburyport  
 \*Williams, Rev S. P., do  
 Williams, Thomas S., Winchester  
 Willis, Nathaniel, Boston  
 Williston, Samuel, Easthampton  
 Wilson, Rev Thomas, Westford  
 Winslow, John H., Andover  
 Winslow, Daniel E., Ware  
 \*Winnier, Benjamin B., D. D., Boston  
 Wiswall, Artemas, West Roxbury  
 Wiswell, William, do  
 Withersell, Stephen B., Ware  
 Withington, Mrs Caroline, Newbury  
 Withington, Miss Eliza, Dorchester  
 Wolcott, Rev Samuel, Providence, R. I.  
 Wolcott, Mrs Samuel, do  
 Wolcott, William, South Danvers  
 Wood, Mrs Abby M., Athol  
 Wood, Aaron, Westminster  
 Wood, B. F., do  
 Wood, Rev C. W., Ashby  
 Wood, Mrs Catharine S., do  
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 Wood, Mrs Zenas, do  
 Wood, S. F., Chelmsford  
 Woodbridge, John, D. D., Hadley  
 \*Woodbury, Rev B., Falmouth  
 Woodbury, Miss Eliza, Beverly  
 Woodbury, Mrs Eliza, Grafton  
 Woodbury, Rev James T., Acton  
 Woodford, Mrs Hannah, Boston  
 Woodman, Rev H. A., Newburyport  
 Woodman, Joseph, do  
 Woods, Joseph W., Boston  
 \*Woods, Leonard, D. D., Andover  
 Woods, Mrs Leonard, do  
 Woodward, Miss Harriet, Newton  
 \*Worcester, Samuel, D. D., Salem  
 Worcester, Samuel M., D. D., do  
 Worcester, Mrs Z., do  
 Wright, Albert J., Boston  
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 Wright, Mrs Martha, Phillipston  
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## Regulations and By-Laws of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

object of the Society is to diffuse the knowledge of the Gospel of Jesus among the heathen and others in destitute places," they therefore agree to the following Rules, &c.

**CLX I.** The officers of the Society shall be a President, Vice President, Trr, a Treasurer, and twenty Trustees, chosen annually by ballot.

It shall be the duty of the President to regulate the meetings of the Society, officin, to act as one of the Board of Trustees; seven of whom shall con- quorum for business, at any meeting regularly convened.

III. The Trustees shall, immediately after each Annual Meeting of the Society, appoint an Executive Committee of seven, (including the Secretary and Treasurer,) residing in Boston and its vicinity; four of whom shall be a quorum at any regular meeting. This Committee shall have power to appoint its own meetings, form its own rules of business, fill any vacancy in its own number which may occur during the year, and convene special meetings of the Trustees or Society: they shall examine and appoint Missionaries, and direct them as to their labors;—it being understood that none shall be employed as Missionaries, except those who exhibit credible evidence of experimental piety, and of that Christian zeal, wisdom, information and diligence, which are adequate to the arduous work of Evangelists, in the most self-denying circumstances. This Committee shall also manage and dispose of the Society's property, and transact all the concerns of the Society, not otherwise assigned; and shall make report, at each Annual Meeting, of the labor and success of the Missionaries, and exhibit a particular account of their own transactions.

IV. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to conduct the correspondence of the Society, keep an accurate record of its proceedings, and exhibit them whenever required.

V. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and hold the property of the Society, to answer the orders of the Executive Committee, and to make a report at every Annual Meeting of the Society. He shall also give bonds, from time to time, to such amount as the Executive Committee shall think proper.

VI. Any person may become a Member of this Society by paying two dollars to the Treasurer for the use of the Society; and shall be considered as retaining his membership and obliged to pay two dollars annually, until his desire to discontinue his connection with the Society be expressed to the Treasurer. Any person may become a Life Member of this Society by paying into the treasury thirty dollars at one time.

VII. The Society shall meet at Boston to transact their annual business on the Tuesday preceding the last Wednesday in May, of each year, at ten o'clock, A. M.

A public meeting shall also be held annually in the same city, on the evening of the same day; to be conducted in such manner as the Executive Committee shall direct; and an annual sermon shall be preached at the time and place of the meeting of the General Association of Massachusetts, by some person appointed by said Association, and a collection taken in aid of the funds of the Society. An annual delegation may be sent to the General Association of Massachusetts, on such terms as may be agreed upon by the two bodies.

VIII. These Rules and Regulations shall be subject to any amendments and improvements which this Society shall think proper to adopt; but no amendments shall be adopted, except by the vote of two-thirds of the members present at an annual meeting; nor unless the same shall have been recommended by the Executive Committee.

The policy and general principles of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society may be summarily stated thus:—

1. To assist feeble churches and societies in sustaining their ministers.
2. To give only such aid as will meet the deficiency after they have paid at least *one per cent.* of their taxable property.
3. In no case to grant over \$200 per annum to the same missionary flock.
4. To afford help only to such as, by reason of *distance*, cannot go to other churches of their own order.
5. To pledge no sum of money for a longer period than one year.
6. To require of each missionary a statistical report of his field annually; and quarterly reports if he desires quarterly payments.
7. To require feeble churches to fulfill their engagements with their pastors each year before they renew their application for aid.

In applying these general rules, which, of course, must be modified somewhat to meet all conceivable cases, the Committee usually give the strongest encouragement to such parishes as (other things being equal) have *settled* pastors; and the least to those which subsist on occasional supplies;—while they have ceased to make any appropriation at all where the preacher does not reside among the people.

## SYSTEMATIC CONTRIBUTIONS.

THE following plan for systematic contributions in Massachusetts to the various objects of benevolence here specified, was recommended by the General Association of the State, at their meeting in Ipswich, June 24, 1840, and has been extensively adopted by the local Associations and Conferences. The necessity for some uniform system has long been felt, and it is hoped that this will meet the approbation of all.

### 1. BOSTON AND VICINITY.

According to the arrangement made by these churches in 1833.

Foreign Missions, *January*.  
Education Society, *February*.  
City Missions, *April*.  
Sabbath Schools, *June*.  
Home Missions, *September*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *October*.  
Tract Society, *November*.

### 2. ESSEX COUNTY AND ANDOVER ASSOCIATION.

Bible Society, *December and January*.  
Foreign Missions, *February and March*.  
Education Society, *April and May*.  
Home Missions, *June and July*.  
Tract Society, *August and September*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *October*.  
Sabbath School Society, *November*.

### 3. MIDDLESEX UNION AND WORURN ASSOCIATIONS.

Bible Society, *January and February*.  
Foreign Missions, *March and April*.  
Education Society, *May and June*.  
Home Missions, *July and August*.  
Tract Society, *September and October*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *November*.  
Sabbath School Society, *December*.

### 4. NORFOLK COUNTY AND CONFERENCE AND MENDON ASSOCIATION.

Bible Society, *February and March*.  
Foreign Missions, *April and May*.  
Education Society, *June and July*.  
Home Missions, *August and September*.  
Tract Society, *October and November*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *December*.  
Sabbath School Society, *January*.

### 5. BERKSHIRE COUNTY.

Bible Society, *March and April*.  
Foreign Missions, *May and June*.  
Education Society, *July and August*.  
Home Missions, *September and October*.  
Tract Society, *November and December*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *January*.  
Sabbath School Society, *February*.

### 6. HAMPDEN COUNTY.

Bible Society, *April and May*.  
Foreign Missions, *June and July*.  
Education Society, *August and September*.  
Home Missions, *October and November*.  
Tract Society, *December and January*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *February*.  
Sabbath School Society, *March*.

### 7. HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.

Bible Society, *May and June*.  
Foreign Missions, *July and August*.  
Education Society, *September and October*.  
Home Missions, *November and December*.  
Tract Society, *January and February*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *March*.  
Sabbath School Society, *April*.

### 8. FRANKLIN COUNTY AND WORCESTER NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Bible Society, *June and July*.  
Foreign Missions, *August and September*.  
Education Society, *October and November*.  
Home Missions, *December and January*.  
Tract Society, *February and March*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *April*.  
Sabbath School Society, *May*.

### 9. WORCESTER CENTRAL AND BROOKFIELD ASSOCIATIONS.

Bible Society, *July and August*.  
Foreign Missions, *September and October*.  
Education Society, *November and December*.  
Home Missions, *January and February*.  
Tract Society, *March and April*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *May*.  
Sabbath School Society, *June*.

### 10. MIDDLESEX SOUTH AND HARMONY CONFERENCES.

Bible Society, *August and September*.  
Foreign Missions, *October and November*.  
Education Society, *December and January*.  
Home Missions, *February and March*.  
Tract Society, *April and May*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *June*.  
Sabbath School Society, *July*.

### 11. TAUNTON AND VICINITY AND OLD COLONY CONFERENCES.

Bible Society, *September and October*.  
Foreign Missions, *November and December*.  
Education Society, *January and February*.  
Home Missions, *March and April*.  
Tract Society, *May and June*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *July*.  
Sabbath School Society, *August*.

### 12. PILGRIM AND BARNSTABLE CONFERENCES.

Bible Society, *October and November*.  
Foreign Missions, *December and January*.  
Education Society, *February and March*.  
Home Missions, *April and May*.  
Tract Society, *June and July*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *August*.  
Sabbath School Society, *September*.

### AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

It is respectfully requested, that when auxiliary societies are formed, information may be given immediately to the Secretary, with the names and residences of the officers of such societies—and a copy of the constitution, and the names of the towns or parishes (if more than one) included within their limits.

It is also requested, that they report progress once a year—immediately after their annual meeting—or before the first of May. The grounds of these requests are :

1. That the Executive Committee may know how much ground is occupied in the State by auxiliaries—and how much is unorganized.
2. That they may know with whom to correspond officially—and how to make arrangements for delegations to the annual meetings of auxiliaries.
3. That they may forward the Annual Reports of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, and of the American Home Missionary Society, to the several auxiliaries—and also the "Home Missionary" to each association contributing ten dollars or more annually to the funds of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

*Unless special directions be given to the contrary, these publications will be forwarded by mail.*

### APPLICATIONS FOR AID.

It is expected that any feeble congregation desiring aid in supporting the gospel, will regard the following particulars in their application, not only in the first instance, but as often as the application is renewed.

1. The number of members in the church.
2. The number of families or polls in the society.
3. The whole population of the town or parish.
4. The number usually attending public worship, or the number that may be expected to attend.
5. The amount of property belonging to members of the society, as rated on the State bill, or town valuation.
6. The amount supposed necessary for a minister's support.
7. The mode of collection—whether by tax or voluntary subscription.
8. The utmost amount that can be secured for the object, within the limits of the society.
9. The least amount that must be derived from other sources.
10. The probable length of time for which charitable aid will be needed.

A written statement on these topics, signed by a committee of the church or society, is required, and the correctness of the statement is to be vouched by two or three neighboring ministers, who are expected at the same time to certify that in their opinion the request for assistance ought to be granted.

### FORM OF A BEQUEST TO THE MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

I give unto the Treasurer of the "Massachusetts Home Missionary Society," the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ dollars, for the purposes of said Society, and for which the receipt of such Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge.

Some important legacies have been lost to the cause of Home Missions, through inattention to the legal name of the Society, to which they were given.

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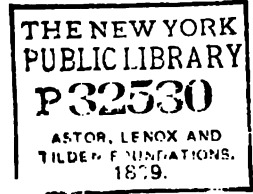
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PRESENTED MAY 24, 1859.



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AT THE

ANNIVERSARY MEETING IN BOSTON,

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## NOTICES.

ALL communications intended for the Executive Committee, and any correspondence relating to the general interests of the Society, may be addressed to Rev. HENRY B. HOOKER, Secretary, Congregational Library Building, Boston.

All remittances of money, and whatever communications relate to the pecuniary concerns of the Board, may be made to BENJAMIN PERKINS, Esq., Treasurer, No. 228 Washington Street, Boston.

Persons, in any part of the State, wishing to become Life Members or Life Directors of the American Home Missionary Society—or to make donations in any form to its funds, can transmit their donations through the treasury of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

Life Membership in the American Home Missionary Society, is *thirty dollars*.

Life Directorship in the do. do. is *one hundred dollars*.

Life Membership in the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, is *thirty dollars*.

☐ The Secretaries of Auxiliary Societies, are earnestly requested to forward copies of their Annual Reports, without delay, to the Secretary of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, Congregational Library Building, Boston. Also to furnish a list of the Officers chosen at each annual meeting. Compliance with these requests will enable the Committee of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society to furnish, in connection with their Annual Report, a satisfactory account of the state and progress of each Auxiliary.

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☐ It is sent *gratuitously* to Life Members, Missionaries, and Auxiliary Associations of either Society; to all pastors whose congregations contribute any sum annually to either treasury; to all persons who serve as collectors; and to each donor of \$10 annually who signifies a wish to receive it. Application may be made to the Treasurer, who is Agent for the distribution of the Home Missionary in Massachusetts.

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**STANDING RULE.**—The Missionary who makes his Reports to the Secretary of the Society *quarterly*, shall be entitled to quarterly drafts on the Treasury. Those who report *semi-annually*, shall be entitled to semi-annual drafts. Those who fail to render an *Annual Report on or before the first day of APRIL*, shall thereby forfeit the patronage of the Society, unless a sufficient excuse be rendered. In the Annual Report, definite answers to the following questions are required.

1. What is the number of rateable polls—also families—in your society?
2. What is the amount of your Society's valuation on the town assessors' book?
3. What proportion of it is in the hands of church members?
4. What aid do you receive from persons in your congregation not connected with your society?
5. What productive funds has your society?
6. What is your stipulated salary?
7. How is it raised—by tax or subscription?
8. Is it punctually paid?
9. What is the average number in your Sabbath congregations?
10. What is the number of your church members—male—female?
11. What additions during the year ending April 1st—by profession—by letter?
12. What the number of baptisms—adult—infant?
13. How many hopeful conversions have occurred?
14. What is the number in your Sabbath school and Bible class?
15. What progress has been made in temperance?
16. What is the amount of contributions to the Mass. Home Missionary Society?
17. What the amount contributed to all other religious charities?
18. What special encouragements or discouragements have you in your labors?

[In answering these inquiries, it will only be necessary to refer to their numerical designation, without transcribing them.]

## ANNUAL MEETING.

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THE MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY met at the Committee Room of the Congregational Library Association, in Chauncy Street, at 10 o'clock, A. M., May 24, 1859.

In the absence of the President, Rev. J. S. CLARK, D. D., was called to the Chair, and Rev. J. H. BISBEE was chosen Clerk. Prayer was offered by the Rev. J. CLEAVELAND. The Minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary.

The Report of the Treasurer was read and accepted.

*Voted*, That the Report of the Executive Committee be adopted, and an Abstract of it be read at the public meeting this evening.

The Secretary and Rev. J. H. BISBEE were chosen Delegates to the General Association in Pittsfield.

Rev. R. S. STORRS, D. D., by a letter to the Society, declined a re-election as President.

The Officers for the ensuing year were then chosen—(for a list of which see the next page.)

Adjourned to attend the public exercises of the Anniversary, at the Central Church, at 7½ o'clock.

J. H. BISBEE, *Clerk*.

Attest: H. B. HOOKER, *Secretary*.

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## PUBLIC MEETING.

At the appointed hour, 7½ o'clock, the public services were held in the Central Church. Appropriate hymns were sung, and prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. TUCKER, of Vernon, Conn. An abstract of the Annual Report was read by the Secretary.

The audience were then addressed by Rev. W. T. DWIGHT, D. D., of Portland, Me., from Luke xxiv. 47: "And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name, among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem."

The exercises were closed with the doxology and the benediction.

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## ANNUAL REPORT.

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THE MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY, celebrating as it does, this evening, its SIXTIETH Anniversary, may be said to be well stricken in years. Advancing age has not brought decrepitude, but rather augmenting vigor and strength. This Institution had, indeed, a feeble infancy; for it could number but thirty-nine members when its career began, and the sum of two dollars each, paid by the members, was the whole story of its early income. Now, a large portion of the four hundred and eighty Congregational churches in the Commonwealth give an expression, more or less decisive, of their regard; and but one other benevolent society surpasses it in the amount contributed to its funds. This Institution, we trust, will not know the weakness of age, or the pains of death, while there are moral wastes to be reclaimed, or hearts in which burn the sacred fires of Christian benevolence.

The history of such an Institution as this, for a year, presents nothing striking or remarkable. It pursues its quiet way, diffusing information respecting the wants and wastes of the land, seeking to rouse the spirit of Christian patriotism in the work of home evangelization, collecting and disbursing funds in the prosecution of such a work, and comes this evening to tell a short and simple story of a year's labors.

### The Treasury.

No other official agency is employed in collecting funds than the services of the Secretary; but the love and zeal of multitudes of the pastors, whose hearts are warm in this work, and the love and zeal of such a multitude of Zion's friends in the churches, render other agency needless; for the Home Missionary spirit of the State has shown itself as follows:

The balance in the Treasury, at the commencement of the year, was \$1,346 09. The amount of contributions and legacies received during the year is \$33,040 38, being an advance upon the previous year of \$6,044 13; which advance is owing to an increase in the form of legacies to that amount, over the previous year.

To this should be added, \$25,507 43 coming from this State, which

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has been paid directly to the parent Society at New York—not passing through our Treasury.

The whole amount, therefore, received from this field the past year, has been \$58,748 81, exceeding the amount of the former year by \$17,861 96. This increase has arisen from an unusually large number of legacies which have been paid during the year.

In addition to the above, there has been received a legacy of the late CHARLES H. BROWN, Esq., of Boston, of \$1,000, the interest only of which can be expended.

The disbursements have been, for missionary labor in Massachusetts, \$5,022 91; for defraying the proportion of incidental expenses of this Auxiliary, \$1,237 19; and there have been \$52,488 71 paid to the American Home Missionary Society, to be expended on the field at large.

#### Tabular View.

The Society's operations within our own State, are exhibited, as heretofore, in a tabular form; showing the names of the missionaries, the date of their commissions and the fields of their labor; together with the progress of the churches, so far as their statistical returns will show it. Brief sketches of missionary labor and its results in the several stations, gleaned chiefly from quarterly reports, are subjoined.

Churches and Missionaries.	Date of Commission.	Length of com.	Dollars appropri'd.	Average congreg'n	Church members.	Added by profession.	Added by letter.	Infants baptized.	Reported convert.	Sabb. sch. and B. cl.	Contributions to Home Missions.	Contributions to other objects.
1. ANDOVER, <i>Ballardvale</i> . Rev. Henry S. Greene, P.	March 1, 1858	12	300	300	55	6	2	4	15	150	30 00	21 00
2. AUSTERLITZ, N. Y. Rev. Charles S. Sylvester, s. s.	Sept. 15, 1858	12	75	50	20	1			5			
3. BARNSTABLE, <i>Hyannis</i> . Rev. Charles Morgridge, P.	Jan. 1, 1858	12	200	100	24	4	2		5	40		
4. BOSTON, <i>German Church</i> . Rev. Louis B. Schwartz, P.	Nov. 17, 1858	12	300	175	145			15	3	175		
5. BOXBORO'. Rev. James H. Fitts, s. s.	Sept. 1, 1858	12	100	80	67	21	2	10	25	80	5 86	36 52
6. CANTON. Rev. W. W. Belden, s. s.	July 1, 1858	12	150	125	35	8	3		8	60	14 45	
7. CARLISLE. Rev. John Lawrence, P.	April 1, 1858	12	125	100	60	2		3	9	70	15 74	14 52
8. CARVER. Rev. W. C. Whitcomb, s. s.	May 18, 1858	12	50	175	86	5	2	3		80		
9. CHESTER, <i>Factories</i> . Rev. Zolva Whitmore, s. s.	July 2, 1858	12	200	80	22		3	Adult	2	35	7 60	8 00
10. DANA. Rev. John Keep, P.	Jan. 1, 1858	12	150	110	44	14	1	11	8	70	20 00	40 75

Churches and Missionaries.	Date of Commission.	Length of com.	Dollars approp'd.	Average congrega'n.	Church members.	Added by profession.	Added by letter.	Infants baptized.	Reported conver.	Sab. sch. and B. cl.	Contributions to Home Missions.	Contributions to other objects.
11. DOVER. Rev. John Haskell, P. . .	June 20, 1858	12	150	45	25	1	9	1	35	12	30	
12. DOUGLAS. Rev. Gilbert B. Richardson, s. s.	Sept. 9, 1858	12	200	75	48	2		2	60	6	00	
13. ERVING. Rev. Eli Moody, s. s. . .	April 1, 1858	12	200	100	36	3	6	3	79	28	00	37 50
14. FRANKLIN, South. Rev. William M. Thayer, s. s.	April 1, 1858	12	200	100	26							
15. HAVERHILL, East. Rev. Abraham Burnham, P. .	May 28, 1858	12	150	100	38	3	3	10	50	13	17	12 73
16. HINGHAM. Rev. E. P. Dyer, P. . .	Sept. 15, 1858	12	150	130	35	7	2	1	13	70	28	61 43 35
17. HOLLAND. Rev. Francis Wood, s. s. .	April 15, 1858	12	150	100	41	5		14	70	33	35	32 45
18. HOLYOKE. Rev. J. B. E. Walker, P. .	April 1, 1858	12	200	246	170	71	19	4	70	173	50	00 161 23
19. HOUSATONIC. Rev. Josiah Brewer, s. s. .	April 15, 1858	12	75	120	48	2	2		82	40	00	20 00
20. IPSWICH, Linebrook. Rev. Edward F. Abbott, s. s. .	July 1, 1858	12	200	100	63	16	1		65	9	00	30 00
21. LITTLETON. Rev. E. Loomis, s. s. . .	Oct. 22, 1858	12	125	90	54		3	1	65	37	71	138 39
22. MENDON. Rev. Elijah Demond, P. .	May 1, 1858	12	200	25	31				30	20	00	13 00
23. NEW SALEM. Rev. Erastus Curtis, s. s. .	Nov. 1, 1858	12	150	75	38	2	1		40			
24. OTIS. Rev. Thomas A. Hall, s. s. .	April 1, 1858	12	75	150	96	13		4	96	27	50	27 25
25. PITTSFIELD, African Church. Rev. Samuel Harrison, P. .	Oct. 1, 1858	12	100	100	39		10	6				
26. SHUTESBURY. Rev. Anson Hubbard, s. s. .	May 1, 1858	12	150	75	53	11		1	45	40	00	
27. SPRINGFIELD, Indian Orchard. Rev. F. A. Barton, s. s. . .	Sept. 21, 1858	12	175	120	65	17	2	1	26	60		
28. STERLING. Rev. William Miller, P. .	April 1, 1858	12	200	100	53	2	1	2	60			11 00
29. STOCKBRIDGE, Curtistville. Rev. George Uhler, P. . .	April 1, 1858	12	75	75	72	17	2	1	8	50		86 00
30. TAUNTON, East. Rev. J. R. Cushing, s. s. .	May 1, 1858	12	200	80	21	4	2	9	9	97		
31. WARWICK. Rev. H. M. Bridge, s. s. .	Mar. 14, 1858	12	150	110	64	7	1	18	70	28	00	29 00
32. WATERTOWN. Rev. S. R. Dennen, P. . .	July 1, 1858	12	200	200	94	21	16	1	26	110		
33. WESTPORT. Rev. Isaac Dunham, s. s. .	June 1, 1858	12	200	100	16	3	2	1	80			12 00
34. WRENTHAM, North. Rev. Franklin Davis, s. s. .	May 1, 1858	12	100	125	42	1		4	3	60		50 00

### Details of Missionary Labor and its Results.

1. **ANDOVER, Ballardvale.**—The report from this church gives a shady and a sunny side. As to the former, "We have poverty—dissipation in all its blighting forms—perpetual change—sectarian prejudices and management, and indifference to divine things." But in the midst of all this, the pastor is cheered by the fact that he has been permitted to go steadily on with his work through the year; that several have been awakened to newness of life, and have found Christ precious; that more than thirty persons, formerly worshiping with his people, have, during the past year, united with Christian churches elsewhere; that all the meetings have been uniformly well attended; that great improvement in morals has taken place; that many of the young have joined "leagues" against intoxicating liquors and tobacco; that the Sabbath is well observed, and the Sabbath school is highly prosperous. The importance of sustaining the gospel in this field, is more and more apparent to the pastor. A house for public worship is greatly needed, and would be a powerful bond of union and means of strength and growth to the church and society. One young man is preparing for the ministry.

2. **AUSTERLITZ, N. Y.**—The missionary's labors have been abundant, and not without a measure of success. Several, in early life, appear to have embraced the Saviour. There is, however, a powerful influence, on every side, in behalf of false and dangerous doctrines, which allures many away from evangelical truth. "Faint, yet pursuing," the preacher gives himself to his work, fearing the little church may become extinct; yet not without hope of brighter days.

3. **BARNSTABLE, Hyannis.**—All the regular ministrations of the gospel have been faithfully kept by the experienced and devoted pastor. Union and harmony have prevailed. Four, by profession, and two by letter, have been added to the church, which has a slow, but steady growth, and is exerting a happy influence upon a community which greatly needs the enlightening and sanctifying power of evangelical doctrines. This little church enjoys the aid and cordial sympathies of sister churches in the county, and we hope is destined yet to take its place among them, as a burning and shining light. The cause of temperance has made progress. So much has been gained in behalf of religion, that the pastor writes: "Our prospects of a successful issue are more encouraging than they were last year."

4. **BOSTON, German Church.**—The pastor has carried on his self-denying work among his countrymen, for the past eleven years, with great acceptance and usefulness. Among the many trials and difficulties is the fluctuating character of the German population, spending a few months, or a year, in the city, and then removing to other parts of the country. Vigorous efforts have also been made, by infidel Germans, to draw away the children and youth, and prejudice them against evangelical religion. But little, however, has been accomplished by these efforts; and the pastor is able to report that a

noble effort has just been made to extinguish a debt upon their place of worship; that he ministers to more than sixty families, beside seeking the religious welfare of his countrymen in other parts of the State; that the cause of temperance flourishes among his people; that liberal contributions have been made to benevolent institutions, in which the children have borne a prominent part; and that his society never stood on better ground in reference to pecuniary, educational, moral and religious matters.

5. **BOXBORO'.**—This feeble church, after having been aided for many years, for the past twelve has not received aid. Unable, however, longer to live without aid, it has been received under our care. Recent revival influences have been enjoyed, and twenty-one persons have been received into the church on profession of their faith. The congregation is increasing in number and in serious attention to the instructions of the sanctuary. "The hearty co-operation of faithful, praying disciples, is very cheering." A youthful servant of God has recently cast in his lot among them, and it is hoped he will permanently break to that little flock the bread of life.

6. **CANTON.**—This church, during the missionary year, has been without a pastor, and has been served by different preachers. Notwithstanding the evils of such a state of things, there have been union and energy in the church and society—displaying itself, especially, in a most earnest and commendable effort to provide for themselves a suitable place for public worship. In this they are likely to succeed, and their success will give a new impulse, it is believed, to all the interests of religion in the community. Such special religious influences have been enjoyed as have resulted in eight hopeful conversions, and the same number have been admitted to the church by profession, and three by letter. An invitation has been given to a young minister, who has acceptably supplied them, to become their pastor; who, it is trusted, will accept the call; in which event, their prospects will be still more encouraging.

7. **CARLISLE.**—Rev. John Lawrence, who has served this church for six years past, has lately been dismissed to enter another field of labor. During his ministry, harmony and union prevailed, and much good was accomplished. About a hundred dollars have lately been expended in painting the church edifice and parsonage. Several, who have indulged hope, are expected to make profession at an early day. Though deprived of a pastor, the church and society manifest a strong determination to sustain, to the extent of their ability, the preaching of the gospel, and hope, without long delay, to find some servant of God who will take the oversight of them as their spiritual guide.

8. **CARVER.**—This church received missionary aid for nine years previous to 1831; and for the following twenty-eight years sustained its own gospel ministrations. It has, however, again felt the need of assistance from abroad, and a small appropriation has been made, which will be needed, it is confidently expected, for but a short period. A new house of worship, com-



modious and attractive, has been erected, which has increased the attendance upon divine service, and has the prospect of being a strong bond of union among the people, and a fountain of evangelical influences to the community. All the means of grace have been in vigorous use during the year, and have been attended with valuable results.

9. **CHESTER, Factories.**—Amid many discouragements, the pastor of this church has held on his way. Progress has been made during the year. Six rum-shops, being the whole number in the village, have been closed. Complaints against these dealers in liquid poison were made by some of the most intemperate men themselves, assigning as the reason, that they had become convinced, that, unless they were reformed, they should be totally ruined men, for time and eternity; but such was their appetite for strong drink, that they felt they should never reform, so long as the temptation was before them. Hence their determination to remove the scourge, and they were successful. The pastor writes: "Our weekly prayer meetings have been better attended than heretofore, and the attendance is constantly increasing. Such is the state of feeling among the brethren and sisters of the church, and so fervently do they desire and pray for the revival of God's work in the midst of us, that we cannot but hope that the blessing will be granted us. The number in attendance on our Sabbath worship is also somewhat increased, and attendance is more uniform, in point of numbers, than in times past." The pastor expresses his conviction of the great importance of maintaining evangelical influences in his field, and is hopeful of its increase in temporal and spiritual prosperity.

10. **DANA.**—A precious revival, enjoyed last year, has left very happy influences behind it. The faithful pastor has been greatly comforted and cheered in his work by it. It has shown that this little church has been borne on the heart of Infinite Love. Fourteen persons have professed their faith in Christ, and have come into the visible fold, to add, it is trusted, to the strength and beauty of Zion, and to give her a larger amount of influence upon the surrounding population. Though this accession of moral strength to the church has been so desirable, the pecuniary ability of the church to sustain the gospel has not been materially advanced. The days of its dependence are not over; yet a church so manifestly under the smiles of the King of Zion, will have a place in the hearts of those whose pecuniary means and benevolence of heart incite and enable them "to lift up the hands that hang down and confirm the feeble knees."

11. **DOUGLAS, Centre.**—This is reported as a hard and difficult field, but our missionary strengthens himself in the Lord, and toils on. There are forty-eight members in the church. A few mercy drops have fallen. Two young ladies have been received to the church. Though, at times, much tried at the slow progress, yet, says the pastor: "I have evidence every week of the strong hold, which I have, on the confidence of this people." We cannot but hope for better days for this ancient Zion. It was once one of the strongest churches of that region. Emigration and death have sadly

crippled it; yet it is still one among the thousands of Israel, and not to be abandoned. A recent letter from the pastor says: "The things that remain seem to be strengthening. The prayer-meetings are better attended; Sabbath congregations are more regular. All is harmony. The people seem to value the means of grace more than formerly. We feel that prospects brighten, and trust a rich blessing is in store for us."

12. DOVER.—This feeble church remains in much the same state it has been in for several years. The average number attending on public worship does not exceed fifty. Their pastor removed to another field in the autumn, and they have been supplied by different preachers since. One hopeful conversion indicates that there yet remains some faith in this feeble band, and that the Saviour has not forgotten to be gracious. The church seems earnest to secure the continuance of gospel privileges, and is ready to do all in its power to have so great a blessing in the community.

13. ERVING.—Our worthy and experienced laborer in this field, Rev. E. Moody, has continued in the work up to the time of closing this year's report. Some unhappy influences, which seem to stand in the way of his longer usefulness, together with poor health, have determined him to close his labors with the just expired missionary year. Our venerable brother has done excellent service in this field, for three laborious years, and his fidelity in sowing the good seed, has not been without its reward, and we trust there is yet to be more precious fruit. May the evening of his life be cheered by the special presence of that Saviour whom he has so long and faithfully served. This church and congregation have made handsome contributions to the cause of Christian benevolence. Sabbath services have been well attended, and prayer and conference meetings have been well sustained. It is to be hoped that there will be union and harmony and earnestness in seeking another to break to them the bread of life, and that dissensions, which of late have troubled them, will come to an end, in that love to one another, that "hopeth all things, and endureth all things;" and that this Zion shall have even a perpetual excellency, and be the joy of many generations.

14. FRANKLIN, *South*.—The pastor of this church was dismissed in the early part of the year, but valuable service has been rendered during the larger part of the missionary year by Rev. W. M. Thayer. About forty families are connected with this congregation. Nearly one hundred persons are habitual attendants on public worship, and the well-sustained privileges of the gospel are greatly needed by the surrounding population. Another laborer is now in this part of the vineyard, and it is hoped his services may be permanently secured. There is a neat and commodious house of worship and a flourishing Sabbath school. Weekly religious privileges have been well sustained.

15. HAVERHILL, *East*.—A church of twenty-four members is here exerting a good measure of Christian influence over a congregation of about a hundred regular attendants upon public worship. Amid many discourage-

ments, the pastor has kept at his post, employing his youthful energies faithfully in the service of his Master. He has been encouraged to make the remark, that "some of the church members have improved very much during the year in taking part in social meetings. There are those who are always ready to attend these meetings when it is possible, and always ready to assist in carrying them on." Several hopeful conversions have occurred, showing that labor has not been expended in vain, and that there is some vitality in that feeble church, though its present prospects of large growth are not specially promising.

16. HINGHAM.—This church continues to flourish under the labors of its pastor, who has been permitted to report, that "a revival last year refreshed and strengthened our hearts. Several men of business, heads of large families, have been hopefully converted, and several among the young." Sixteen persons are thought to have experienced the saving grace of God. Seven by profession, and two by letter, have been received into the church. Progress has been made in the temperance cause, and "Bands of Hope" have been formed among the young. Prayer meetings have been well attended, and have been productive of much good. The pastor, who has been twelve years at his post, has continued to receive cheering tokens of the sympathy and kindness of the people. A surprise party left behind them very substantial evidence that the pastor's labors had given him a large place in the hearts of his grateful and affectionate flock. The growing strength of the church and society encourages the belief that missionary aid will not much longer be needed. The history of this church, thus far, is a very happy illustration of the value of the help the strong churches are furnishing the weaker ones in the Commonwealth, and an animating encouragement to our Home Missionary labors.

17. HOLLAND.—The history of this secluded place, and of this little church, during the year, has been marked by a very interesting and auspicious event—that of the erection and consecration of a beautiful edifice for the public worship of God. When the people saw the ashes and ruin of their former sanctuary, burned by an incendiary a year since, they feared they should not see another, and that Zion, already so weak, would go down to utter ruin. But the dark clouds were not long in passing away; for one and another came forward with their offerings, as the Lord had prospered them. Much of the timber for a new house came from their own forests, and to what funds could be raised among themselves, were added the liberal donations of sister churches; and in January last, their new sanctuary was dedicated to the public worship of God. The pastor writes: "It is a very pleasant house as to outward appearance, and the inside is about as inviting as any in this region. It is a fund in the possession of the society, which will make it much easier to raise the minister's salary than it has hitherto been."

And, while thus prospered in reference to rebuilding the sanctuary, spiritual blessings have not been denied. "The interest on the subject of religion," says the pastor, "which has far exceeded what had been known for many years, has resulted, not only in the conversion of individuals, but in the

ity among professing Christians. There has been a change of  
 to better, on points of vital importance. The newly admitted  
 of the church are active, and cordially co-operate with the  
 to promote the cause of Christ. There has recently begun to exist  
 feeling against alcoholic drinks and tobacco, which promises  
 Fourteen persons have been hopefully converted during the  
 ber of those, who formerly had no disposition to participate in  
 public worship, are now frequently seen in the house of God.  
 ary influences in the community which did not exist a year

—This church was in the enjoyment of a precious work of  
 of its last report, a year ago. "The past year," writes the  
 one of prosperity with us, and of unexampled growth in  
 church having been more than doubled. The new converts  
 of the church; most of them having run well, and having  
 grace and spiritual power. The great revival brought copious  
 Had it not been for the replenishing which the rich  
 secured to us, we should now be few and feeble."

has resulted in the addition of *seventy-one* to the church by  
 nineteen by letter. "Of the converts, twenty-seven are  
 and all but three, adults. A Christian wife entered into  
 her husband and four daughters. A mother, who had not  
 for nineteen years, and her two daughters, early accepted  
 A father gave himself and his three little children to the  
 on the same Sabbath. A young man, a deaf mute, was  
 the tract, 'Come to Jesus,' which had been given to his  
 her deep and protracted convictions, the Saviour wrought this  
 ay, and enabled the dumb to speak of the grace of God."  
 of divine regard greatly encourage the pastor in his work—  
 serious discouragements being the fluctuation of the manu-  
 nation. He states: "In no place have the changes equaled  
 of our population. After a pastorate of only three and a half  
 of the original members of the church (now ten years old)  
 by twenty-two of the ninety-eight members on the church  
 was installed."

has attended the cause of temperance. Most of the con-  
 the Sabbath school and Bible classes; benevolent objects  
 ed, and all the usual means of grace are in vigorous activity.  
 tially revived, and in anticipation of brighter days, in this  
 leaved that missionary aid will not long hence cease to be

mc.—The year has been marked with general prosperity in  
 society, union and harmony prevailing. Three promising  
 soon to unite with the church, and others have the same  
 under consideration. The people have harmoniously united  
 minister to be their spiritual guide another year. He has

lately received from them some substantial tokens of their regard, indicating the pleasure they should enjoy in having his longer ministrations. A new manufacturing establishment, about going into operation, promises to increase the number of those who shall come under gospel influences, and perhaps also increase the ability to sustain Christian privileges. "Missionary aid has been of great service in promoting the spiritual prosperity of things in Housatonic." A recent letter informs us that the people propose to go on for the coming year "without aid from any society."

20. IPSWICH, *Linebrook*.—This church and society are making great efforts to support the gospel, with much to discourage them. Some have died, and others have moved away, the past year; but they seem determined to do what they can to keep up among them the institutions of religion. The great want, next to the powerful influences of the Holy Spirit, is a permanent pastor. In the midst of feebleness and discouragement, they have received the past year a precious token of the Saviour's kindness, in that sixteen have been received to the church on profession of their faith. This accession of strength has greatly animated the people of God, and, though there are many misgivings, yet hope is strong, that this will yet be a self-supporting church.

21. LITTLETON.—The pastor has continued faithfully at his post, and at his work, without any specially interesting incidents or occurrences to cheer him. All the usual means of grace have been actively employed, with a fair attendance of the people upon them. A "Band of Hope" among the children promises well for the cause of temperance among them. Very fair contributions have been made to the cause of Christian benevolence; and there seem to be here the elements of a strong church, yet to be known as such, we trust, in the annals of Zion.

22. MENDON.—This is emphatically one of the "old wastes." For twenty-five years it has received missionary aid. Hope has sometimes been strong that the church might rise to self-support, and as often has hope been disappointed. The persistence of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, in giving aid, shows how reluctant the Committee have been to give up any field they have attempted to reclaim. The late pastor, Rev. E. Demond, left in November last. His average congregations on the Sabbath had been less than thirty persons. "They have been experimenting there these twenty years, and instead of growing better have rather grown worse. According to present appearances, it is hoping against hope to anticipate any important change."

23. NEW SALEM.—This feeble out-post has not been deserted by its experienced and devoted pastor. Under many discouragements, all the usual ministrations of the gospel have been sustained. Though no decisive progress is reported, yet, what things do remain are not suffered to die. The people feel encouraged to maintain divine institutions among them, in hope that brighter days may yet dawn. Missionary aid will be still needed

to prevent the utter extinction of Zion. The attendance on public worship has been increased of late, by the close of the Unitarian place of worship. The church and people seem well united in their pastor and in each other.

24. OTIS.—The year has been one of general prosperity. There is an increasing interest in sustaining the institutions of religion; and it is believed that by another year, they will cease to ask for missionary aid. The church has joyfully welcomed *thirteen* persons to her fellowship during the year, who, it is confidently hoped, will add to the beauty and strength of Zion. The spiritual blessings thus enjoyed have greatly animated and encouraged the people of God. A large and flourishing Sabbath school is exerting a happy influence upon the children and youth. Very creditable contributions have been made to various benevolent objects. "There has been a gradual growth of the people in Christian knowledge."

25. PITTSFIELD, *Colored*.—This is one of the smaller flocks among the thousands of Israel. But a faithful shepherd is watching over it, who is able to report an increased attendance upon public worship; that the Sabbath school was never more flourishing than at the present time; that the temperance cause flourishes in the congregation; that at the time of writing his report, there were indications of the Holy Spirit's presence, some being impressed with a sense of their guilt—prayer-meetings being well attended and strong hopes being entertained of a blessing from the presence of the Lord.

26. SHUTESBURY.—This church is dependent, as it has been for many years, on Home Missionary aid. It has been cheered by revival influences by which *eleven* have been led to confess Christ before men, and as many more are expected to do the same at an early day. Such proof that the kind Saviour has not forsaken them, has done much to inspire the hope that the things that remain are not to die but live. The distance at which numbers live from public worship, and the long and hilly roads to be traversed to reach the house of God, operate to diminish the congregation on the Sabbath, and to make social meetings less frequent. The pulpit has been supplied most of the time during the year. Still, though few and feeble, they cannot endure the idea of doing without the regular ministrations of the gospel. "Our older brethren," says the report of the minister, "say their prospects look better and more promising than for years past. The younger portion of the people are more disposed to come up and help them."

27. SPRINGFIELD, *Indian Orchard*.—This church and society are making steady progress in the right direction. The smiles of the Great Head of the church have been enjoyed in recent special influences of the Spirit, and *twenty-six* persons have been numbered as hopeful converts, *seventeen* of whom have already made profession of their faith. It will not be long before this church will be added to the number which have been helped into the condition of self-support by the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society. The minister gives the following cheering account of its state and prospects: "In all of its outside aspects, the condition of this society was never

Sabbath school flourishes, having been recently supplied with a new library. The American Messenger, and tracts, are extensively circulated. "The aid and sympathy manifested by your Society, and friends from abroad, very much encourage this struggling Zion, and it is hoped the little one may yet become a thousand."

34. WRENTHAM, *North*.—This church has received missionary aid, at different times, for fifteen years. By a legacy of a deceased member, its ability to support public worship has become such that it will no longer need missionary aid. The history of the year has been such as to show fair prosperity, though there have been no special divine influences. The pastor remarks: "Our little church has been encouraged by the legacy of our deceased brother. We are glad to relieve the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society of the amount heretofore received from them, that they may assist others in need. In behalf of the church and society, permit me to extend their acknowledgments and thanks for the indulgence and liberal aid of your Society, through so many years, and so many discouragements. We hope now to be, with the blessing of God, a self-sustaining church. Though we are by no means free from things of a discouraging nature, we feel that we have abundant reason to be grateful to God, whose providences have been so kind towards us in our low estate."

### Summary.

There were thirty-two churches under the patronage of this Society at the date of the last Report. There are now thirty-four. There have been some changes in regard to the occupants of these fields of labor, but most of them have for years ministered to the same people, steadily and faithfully doing the Lord's work in the spheres he has assigned them, and seeing that work prospering in their hands.

These ministers of the gospel carry its warnings and consolations to congregations varying, in average number, from fifty to two hundred and fifty persons—the average aggregate being three thousand four hundred and fifty-six souls.

All the mission churches have Sabbath schools, by which the precious influences of divine truth are brought to bear directly on the consciences and hearts of two thousand one hundred and fifty lambs of the flock, many of whom, the past year, have been led by the Great Shepherd, through this instrumentality, into the green pastures of his precious grace and salvation. And our missionary brethren have not been backward to teach their flocks that, though receiving the kindness of others, they were not themselves to suffer slackness in the great work of doing good to others, and aiding, as God should give ability, in promoting the great Christian enterprises of our times; and it has been gratifying to see that these missionary churches have con-

tributed to the Home Missionary treasury, \$455 22, and to other charitable objects, \$835 55—being in the aggregate \$1,290 77.

The mission churches contain an aggregate of 1,830 members—*two hundred and sixty-eight* persons having been received on profession of their faith during the year.

#### **The General Association and Home Missions.**

A Committee, appointed by the General Association to inquire into, and report, on the subject of feeble churches in Massachusetts, made their Report at the last meeting of that body. The Report speaks, with much feeling and earnestness, and in strong terms, of the number of those destitute of the regular ministrations of the gospel, within the bounds of this State, and urges a more thorough exploration of our waste places, and larger appropriations, in order to bring a greater number of the destitute under gospel privileges. After an animated discussion, the subject was referred to another Committee, who were to have farther conference with the Executive Committee of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, and report at the next meeting of the General Association.

No new facts were presented by the Committee's Report, not before known to the Executive Committee; and no essential change of the general policy of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, beyond the appropriation of a larger amount within this State, so as more effectually to succor feeble churches, and to reach a greater number of the destitute.

In the general principles of the Report, the Executive Committee concur. But in reference to the amount to be expended within the State, it is obvious that the Committee of the General Association could prescribe no definite sum, and they did not. All matters of this sort, from the nature of the case, must be left to the discretion of those to whom the Christian public have confided the care and distribution of their charities. They have the whole field before them, and by the personal visits and correspondence of their Secretary, and in various other ways, are able to gain a better knowledge of the real condition of mission churches and moral wastes, than can be gained by any other class of persons. They feel deeply their obligations to do all in their power, to give the gospel to the destitute. How much shall be expended here, and how much there, can be determined only by the careful examination of each individual case. This examination, the Executive Committee go into as thoroughly as possible, and decide concerning it as wisely as they can. The Christian public can be assured that no moral waste, capable of being reclaimed by the most judicious of Christian charity, will fail of receiving the earnest



attention of the Executive Committee. That Committee must act, with the whole great missionary field *West*, as well as *East*, before them, and influencing their decisions, because the funds, intrusted to them, are given to relieve wants, and repair wastes, from the Atlantic to the Pacific shores. Our own Commonwealth, as a part of this vast field, surely will not fail of receiving such a portion of missionary funds as shall be awarded by a conscientious and enlightened discretion.

#### **Moral Wastes in Massachusetts.**

It cannot be denied that great numbers of the population of the State, are not yet under the regular influence of gospel institutions. It has been stated that this is the condition of one-fourth of the population. This we regard as far too high an estimate. Still, beyond question, many thousands are passing on toward eternity, quite out of the influence of regularly sustained gospel privileges. And most certainly, such a fact should deeply interest the friends of Zion.

The Massachusetts Home Missionary Society are seeking to reach this part of our population, and several of the fields, before unoccupied, have, during the past year, been brought under gospel influences; and as the way shall be opened, others will be occupied. It is, however, to be considered, that the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society is not to be charged with too high a responsibility in this matter. Great numbers of the morally destitute are beyond the reach of any influence this institution can exert. Multitudes are foreigners, Romanists, seamen, infidels, and others, whose circumstances and relations place them beyond any agency of ours for their good. Great numbers of these classes throng our cities and large towns, and swarm around our railroad depots, and large thoroughfares.

But, while many destitute localities forbid an organized church, from the sparseness of the population, or the want of proper materials for a church, and so do not come within the proper sphere of the Home Missionary Society—the population of these destitute localities can be reached, and ought to be reached by the zeal and energy of the various churches situated in their vicinity, and to which they are accessible. How many neighborhoods there are in the outskirts of our able parishes and strong churches, where multitudes live in semi-heathenish ignorance of the great things of the kingdom of God. These perishing souls are fairly within the reach of these churches, and furnish work directly beneath their eyes, and all ready to their hand—work, too, requiring little outlay of money, and not requiring a greater outlay of labor, than would be eminently conducive to their spiritual health. Let the brethren, by turns, forego their pleasant seats and their precious privileges in the sanctuary, for the purpose of going out

into these waste places, and holding religious services. Sabbath schools and religious meetings, of various kinds, could thus be carried on, and gospel truth would find its way, where there is now scarce any glimmering of its heavenly light. This is one of the means by which moral wastes could be reclaimed, and the number be vastly diminished, who are now outside of gospel influences. Some churches do a noble work of this kind. Many more might embark in it, to the certainty of the Saviour's approval, their own best spiritual welfare, and vast good to perishing men.

#### **Ability of Feeble Churches.**

The larger part of the churches under our patronage, really have not the pecuniary ability, unaided, to sustain gospel institutions. They must have a helping hand, or utterly perish. Yet we cannot but believe there are dependent churches, which have far too lively a sense of their poverty. They have had discouraging thoughts, and have said discouraging things, one to another, so long, and have seen their names so long upon the list of feeble churches, and have so often, and so long asked aid, and received it, that they have come honestly to feel, and to believe, that their poverty is a mournful fact, and their dependence upon missionary aid a stern necessity. They have, moreover, found it such a convenience to obtain a hundred, or two hundred dollars, by no greater effort than a well drawn up plea of poverty, that this also makes it comfortable to have the conviction of the reality of their necessity. They have also glided on by the point where there might once have been a shrinking from the position of dependence on the charities of the benevolent.

But it has been noticed, in the cases of some of these churches, that when a new pastor was to be obtained, but could not be had, without an additional fifty or hundred dollars, this additional sum has been very cheerfully and promptly raised. The sacrifice could not have been submitted to, under the former pastor, yet it can easily be made now. It could have been made before, had the people but felt so. There was as much pecuniary ability before, as now; though the people did not see it. Had they done all they could, as their application for aid under the former pastor had affirmed? They, at that time, called for help, when a portion of the help asked for and given, could have been as well furnished by themselves, as by those self-denying friends of Zion, whose benevolence sustains the treasury of the Home Missionary Society.

It is a most important part of Home Missionary policy, to rouse feeble churches from a condition of depression and discouragement—to inspire courage and zeal—to awaken a sense of personal responsi-

bility and obligation—to make them draw, at whatever sacrifice, upon their own resources—to make them unwilling to be dependent for an hour longer than is absolutely necessary—to inspire self-respect and self-reliance, and, in a word, to do, with all fidelity and earnestness, what is really in their power, to sustain the gospel among themselves, without foreign aid. And all this for their own spiritual health, vigor, and growth, as well as to save missionary funds from unnecessary distribution.

It is therefore necessary at times to deny applications, where the Committee believe a little more sacrifice would make a depending church self-supporting; and necessary, also, in other cases, to diminish the appropriation already enjoyed, so as to bring up the applicants to their own duty: which course, though very unacceptable to the disappointed, is nevertheless a really wise course in reference to the churches themselves, making greater effort on their part necessary, but no less a duty to those who intrust funds to the Society, and have a right to expect the most wise and judicious distribution of them.

We rejoice to say there are instances of self-sacrifice for the gospel in all our feeble churches, which are worthy of all honor; and were such cases universal, or very common in those churches, the number would soon be few, that would call for missionary aid.

#### Extinct Churches.

Pensive, if not painful thoughts, very naturally arise in view of striking off the name of a church, because it has ceased to exist. We think of moral power lost—of a shining light extinguished—an abandonment of ground which had been won from the domains of the Prince of darkness—and the cessation of one of the most important agencies for promoting the Saviour's kingdom on earth.

We would say nothing in abatement of the deepest sympathy with Zion in actual suffering, and actually sinking into ruin. But there is a sound in the phrase, "extinct church," which produces a more painful impression than the actual facts, in, perhaps, a majority of cases, will warrant. An alarm is raised by the phrase, which greatly or wholly subsides, upon careful investigation of the causes of what seems to be so sad a fact. Concerning extinct churches it is true,

1. That some of them had a forced and unnatural existence to begin with, and ought never to have been formed. They came into being through dissensions among brethren, and when contention has worn itself out, or some of the belligerents have removed, or other and wiser counsels have prevailed, and the smoke and din have subsided, the evil of longer separation has, at last, been seen, and the new organ-

ization has been given up, and the parties have united once more. There can be no sorrow over such church extinction.

2. Other churches have ceased to exist, because new business-centres have been created, by railroad or manufacturing operations, and the population have been so withdrawn from old localities, that new churches have absorbed the old. Here has been *removal*, and not *extinction*. There has been no actual death, or loss to Zion, but simply a change of the external condition of some of her branches.

3. Emigration and death have so enfeebled other churches, that the remnants of feeble bands have felt that they could no longer sustain distinct church ordinances and public worship, and, with the wise counsel of surrounding pastors, have united with neighboring churches. Here there has been no loss, but such as divine providences have occasioned.

4. Some churches have been organized in rapidly rising manufacturing, or other apparently prosperous localities, but commercial reverses have checked the growth of these places, and rendered the support of separate church services impossible, and the organization has been given up, the members having been absorbed in surrounding churches of their own faith. There remain the same number of professed children of God, though no longer united in the same church organization.

5. Cases exist too—though rare—where a church has been organized, where other and stronger evangelical denominations have had the ground by pre-occupancy, and the enterprise has failed because, in fact, there was no good and substantial ground for beginning it at all. It has been the part of wisdom to discontinue the church, its members coming into relations with surrounding churches. The originators of the enterprise have come, themselves, to see, that wise forethought would have forbidden what their ardor prompted, and which subsequent wisdom has led them to give up.

From all these facts it is clear, that numbers of churches may cease to exist, from causes which do not imply declension of religion, or any failure on the part of Home Missionary operations. There has been no loss to the strength and beauty of Zion—often a great gain—certainly where feeble and languishing organizations have been united in one strong church.

The cases are extremely rare, where a Congregational church has ceased to exist, otherwise than by those providential arrangements, which no human foresight could discern, and which no human wisdom or power could control.

### Spiritual Blessings upon the Mission Churches.

Well may the *strong* churches rejoice, when the cheering announcement can be made, "Lo, the Comforter has come!" Well may they exultingly exclaim, "When the Lord turned again the captivity of Zion, we were like them that dream. Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with singing." How much more, then, may those churches rejoice, whose numbers are few, whose resources are small, who are often painfully despondent over the sad moral wastes among which they are placed, and whose feebleness had made them the objects of contempt to the scoffing world around them. Well may these feeble flocks rejoice, when the Great Shepherd appears among them in his glory, and causes them, in wonder and joy, to exclaim, "Who is this that cometh from Edom, in dyed garments from Bozrah? this, that is glorious in his apparel, traveling in the greatness of his strength!" Their feebleness makes them all the more feel their need of strength from on high. Many of them realize that they must have such a blessing, or go down into utter ruin. Hence there have ascended from no part of Zion, more importunate appeals for the Holy Spirit's blessed presence, than from the little flocks in the neglected corners of the Lord's vineyard. "

And the Lord has hearkened, and heard, and the richest spiritual blessings have been poured out from on high. The beautiful language of ancient prophecy has been verified: "And they shall build the old wastes, they shall raise up the former desolations, and they shall repair the waste cities, the desolations of many generations." Few years of the history of this Society have seen larger measures of divine influences visiting the churches under its patronage. A large portion of them have reported the special agency of the Spirit of God among them. There have been reported *three hundred and four* cases of hopeful conversion, of whom *two hundred and sixty-eight* have made profession of their faith. In one of these churches, *seventy* persons were received to Christian fellowship during the missionary year. The friends of Home Missions may well rejoice that the kind Saviour has given such striking testimony of his approval of the labors of his servants, and such proofs of his regard for the Home Missionary work. And most appropriately may they use the exulting language of the Prophet, "Break forth into joy, sing together, ye *waste places* of Jerusalem, for the Lord hath comforted his people, he hath redeemed Jerusalem."

### The American Home Missionary Society.

While contemplating the missionary work within our own Commonwealth, we are very naturally led to inquire concerning the year's

history of that noble National Institution, to which we are auxiliary. It has had one thousand and fifty-four laborers in the field, who have furnished gospel privileges to two thousand one hundred and twenty-five congregations and missionary stations—ten of these laborers have preached to colored congregations and forty-one of them have preached to congregations of foreigners, in their own languages. Seventy-six new churches have been organized by these missionaries during the year, and thirty have become self-supporting.

And while we rejoice in the fact that this Society furnishes so many otherwise destitute regions with the gospel, and rejoice also that we can report that the receipts of the Society have exceeded those of the former year, yet more than all do we rejoice over the priceless and abundant spiritual blessings which have attended its labors. The servants of this Institution on a large portion of the great field, have never had sorer trials in regard to temporal affairs; but never have they had greater occasion to rejoice in the power and grace of God upon their labors. "Four hundred and seventy-two missionaries report four thousand nine hundred and seventy-one hopeful conversions in connection with their labors during the year; and there are instances where the presence and power of the Spirit have been most strikingly manifest, in that eighty, ninety, and even one hundred have given evidence of being born again."

The receipts of the year have been \$12,167 92 greater than in the year preceding—while forty-two more missionaries have been employed, one hundred and one more congregations have received the ministrations of the gospel, one thousand eight hundred more children have been gathered into the Sabbath schools, and two thousand and three more communicants have been added to the churches.

Such expressions of the Divine favor toward the great Home Missionary Enterprise, call for our most devout thanksgiving to Infinite love—call for a more joyful confidence in the power of the glorious gospel to scatter away the deepest moral darkness and reclaim regions made utterly waste and desolate by sin—and call for a fresh consecration of all the energies of the friends of Zion to so noble a work as that of making the whole land a scene of the triumph of redeeming love.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr. The Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in account with Benjamin Perkins, Treasurer. Cr.

To cash paid Missionaries the past year, . . .	\$ 5,022 91	By balance last year, . . .	\$ 1,346 09
" American Home Missionary Society, . .	27,000 00	" Contributions and Legacies, . . .	33,040 38
" Proportion of salaries, traveling, and incidental expenses, . . .	1,237 19	" Interest on Fund, . . .	760 83
" Investment of Legacy of C. H. Brown, . .	1,000 00	" Interest on Osborne Fund, . . .	77 00
" A. B. C. F. M., income of Osborne Fund, .	77 00	" Legacy of Charles H. Brown, to be invested, .	1,000 00
Balance to new account, . . . . .	1,887 20		
	<u>\$ 36,224 30</u>		<u>\$ 36,224 30</u>

Boston, May 21, 1859.

BENJAMIN PERKINS, TREASURER.

Boston, May 21, 1859.—I have examined the above account of the Treasurer of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, and find the same correctly cast and properly vouched.

CHARLES SCUDDER, AUDITOR.

NOTE.—In addition to the foregoing receipts, \$25,507 43, in the form of donations, contributions, and legacies, have been forwarded to the American Home Missionary Society from different parts of the State, which are not included in this Report, because they did not pass through this Treasury.

## DONATIONS,

From May 15, 1858, to May 15, 1859.

<i>Attleboro'</i> , Fem. Benev. Soc. \$30 of which to const. Willard Blackinton L. M.	
Am. H. M. S.	\$42 15
Cong. Ch. and Soc.	19 01
<i>Andover</i> , A friend, by John Aiken, Esq.	50 00
South, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	23 00
Donation of Miss Anna Kimball, deceased, by W. P. Foster,	100 00
West, Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Mrs. Esther H. Smith L. M.	54 22
North, Evan. Ch. to const. Rev. L. H. Cobb L. M. Am. H. M. S.	30 00
Old South Ch. contributions, \$138 63; mon. conc. \$11 37; individ. \$1,	151 00
Do. mon. conc. \$17 35; a friend, \$4;	21 35
Do. \$19; \$16 50; a friend, \$2;	37 50
<i>Ashby</i> , Cong. Ch. to const. Mrs. A. H. Wilder L. M.	30 00
Mrs. Catharine Damon,	8 00
<i>Athol</i> , Rev. Mr. Norton's Soc. to const. Edwin Ellis L. M. Am. H. M. S.	30 00
Do. do.	25 00
<i>Amherst</i> , Legacy of Rev. Joseph Haven, in full,	50 00
South Cong. Soc. to const. Marcus L. Goodell L. M.	30 00
<i>Ashburnham</i> , 1st Cong. Soc.	30 00
<i>Adams</i> , North, Gardiner White,	1 00
<i>Abington</i> , Legacy of Mehitable Hunt, in part, by Joseph Cleverly and	
Ebenezer Shaw, Ex'rs,	5,000 00
<i>Amesbury and Salisbury</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. \$30; a friend, \$4;	34 00
<i>Assabet</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	12 00
<i>Amesbury</i> , West, Rev. L. Thompson's Soc. to const. Jonathan Sargent,	
Thomas B. Patten, G. M. Kelley, and Otis Sargent L. M.	146 00
<i>Billerica</i> , Cong. Soc. mon. conc. \$60; Rev. Mr. Stearns, \$20;	80 00
<i>Braintree</i> , 1st par. Ladies' H. M. Soc. to const. Mrs. Edward Potter and Mrs.	
E. F. E. Thayer L. M.	74 68
Quarterly coll. \$22 54; \$24; \$15 35; \$23;	85 89
<i>Brookfield Assoc.</i> —S. M. Lane, Treas. vis.: Brimfield, \$64 17; Charlton,	
\$30 71; Hardwick, \$50; New Braintree, \$33 40; Oakham, \$60;	
Holland, \$22 28; coll. at meeting of Conference, \$8 04; to const. Rev.	
J. H. Gurney, New Braintree, and Reuben Tyler, Hardwick, L. M.	268 60
<i>Bedford</i> , Trin. Cong. Soc. mon. conc.	34 08
<i>Brighton</i> , Individuals, \$10; a friend, \$5;	15 00
Evan. Cong. Ch. and Soc.	62 00
<i>Boston</i> , A. E. \$1 50; N. Porter, \$2;	3 50
Mt. Vernon Ch. bal. of contribution last year,	450 81
Salem St. Ch. and Soc. annual contribution,	33 49
Phillips do. do.	24 00
Pine St. do. do.	70 50
Old South do. do.	913 50
Shawmut do. do.	706 89
Bowdoin St. do. do.	643 00
Central do. do.	412 25
Park St. do. do.	1,002 84
Mt. Vernon do. do.	853 50
Essex St. do. do.	1,057 25
Gardner Edmands,	10 00
Rev. H. B. Hooker to const. Rev. W. B. and Mrs. Sarah B. Capron, of	
Madura, L. M. Am. H. M. S., and in full to const. him L. D. Am.	
H. M. S.	170 00
<i>Brookline</i> , Evan. Ch. and Soc.	161 23
<i>Bryfield</i> , Rev. Mr. House's Soc.	11 00
Rev. Mr. Brooks's Soc.	4 75
<i>Severly</i> , Washington St. Soc. to const. Mrs. Sophronia Batchelder and Mrs.	
Sarah C. P. Tracy L. M. Am. H. M. S.	73 00
<i>Barre</i> , Evan. Cong. Soc. to const. Mrs. Clarissa Denham L. M.	64 58
<i>Bridgewater</i> , North, Porter Evan. Soc.	50 00
South Cong. Soc.	22 00
Trin. Cong. Soc. mon. conc.	9 15



<i>Boxboro', Cong. Soc.</i>	\$5 86
<i>Belchertown, Fem. Benev. Assoc. to const. Mrs. Ephraim Montague and Mrs. Henry B. Blake L. M.</i>	88 00
<i>Brookfield, West, Legacy of Miss Susan Ellis, by Baxter Ellis, Ex'r,</i>	100 00
<i>Ballardvale, Cong. Soc. to const. Mrs. Mary P. Greene L. M.</i>	30 00
<i>Buckland, Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. H. G. Maynard L. M.</i>	30 00
<i>Concord, Rev. Mr. Angier's Soc.</i>	32 11
<i>Cambridgeport, 1st Evan. Ch. and Soc.</i>	93 10
<i>Cambridge, Ladies' H. M. Soc. Shepard Ch.</i>	80 00
<i>Shepard Ch. and Soc. \$47 69 of wh. from mon. conc.</i>	173 30
<i>Mrs. J. Tyler, \$5; Mrs. E. Tyler, \$5;</i>	10 00
<i>Chatham, Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Mrs. Rufus Smith L. M.</i>	31 32
<i>Chesterfield, Cong. Soc.</i>	5 00
<i>Conway, A friend, by Rev. Geo. Adams,</i>	8 00
<i>Chazy, N. Y. Miss Ann Hubbell,</i>	10 00
<i>Chelsea, Winnisimmet Ch. and Soc.</i>	56 69
<i>Cohasset, 2d Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	7 00
<i>Charlestown, 1st parish, coll.</i>	50 00
<i>Winthrop Ch. and Soc.</i>	257 21
<i>Clinton, 1st Evan. Ch. and Soc.</i>	116 18
<i>Chester Factories, Cong. Ch.</i>	7 15
<i>Dorchester, Thomas D. Quincy to const. John A. Perry L. M. Am. H. M. S.</i>	30 00
<i>2d Parish Cong. Ch. and Soc. \$30 of wh. from James Clap to cons.</i>	
<i>William V. Alden L. M.</i>	310 71
<i>Neponset Fem. H. M. S.</i>	40 00
<i>Village Ch. collection, \$34; Ladies' H. M. S. \$57 04;</i>	91 04
<i>Douglas, Centre Cong. Soc. \$5; \$13 04;</i>	18 04
<i>East, Cong. Soc. \$30 of wh. from Ladies' Circle to const. Lucetta P. Whipple L. M.</i>	88 54
<i>Deadham, Mrs. A. B. Burgess,</i>	50 00
<i>Rev. Dr. Burgess's Soc. coll.</i>	86 23
<i>Rev. Dr. Burgess's Ch. Fem. H. M. S.</i>	54 00
<i>Mrs. Mehitabel Gay to const. Elijah Howe and Elijah Howe, Jr. L. M.</i>	60 00
<i>Dartmouth, South, Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	28 28
<i>Deerfield, South, 1st Cong. Soc.</i>	25 00
<i>Dracut, Central Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	32 75
<i>Edgartown, Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	32 00
<i>Essex North Aux. Soc. J. Caldwell, Tr.—Byfield, Cong. Soc. \$2 25; coll. at Conference, Bradford, \$33; Rowley, Rev. Mr. Pike's Soc. to const. Mrs. M. C. Blodgett L. M. Am. H. M. S. \$37 20;</i>	72 45
<i>Falmouth, 1st Cong. Ch. and Soc. \$60 of wh. from a friend to const. Moses Rogers and P. Jenkins L. M.</i>	154 00
<i>East, Cong. Ch. \$20 22; B. Hatch, \$3;</i>	23 22
<i>North, Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	13 00
<i>Franklin County H. M. Soc., S. S. Eastman, Tr.—Gill, Cong. Soc. \$5;</i>	
<i>Ashfield, 1st Ch. \$10 35; Deerfield, Orthodox Soc. to const. D. W. Child, L. M. \$31 50; Greenfield, 1st Cong. Soc. to const. Rev. A. Chandler, D. D., L. M. \$32 35; Shelburne, Gents. Asso. \$28 64;</i>	
<i>Ladies' do. \$24 04;</i>	131 88
<i>Do. Erving, Evan. Soc. \$25; Warwick, do. \$28; Montague, do. \$4 44;</i>	
<i>Shutesbury, Fem. Benev. Soc. \$10;</i>	67 44
<i>Do. South Deerfield, Monument Soc. \$19; Bernardston, \$3 40; Conway, \$2; Montague, Cong. Soc. to const. Edmund Demond L. M. \$38 27—less printing minutes, \$20;</i>	42 67
<i>Do. Leverett, Cong. Soc. \$9 34; Sunderland, do. \$47 77, to const. Henry J. Graves L. M.; Charlemont, 1st Ch. \$10 35;</i>	67 46
<i>Do. Sunderland, Cong. Ch. and Soc. in full to const. Cyrus Hubbard L. M. \$15; Erving, \$12; Ashfield, \$12 51;</i>	39 51
<i>Fitchburg, Religious Char. Soc. to const. Mrs. Samuel Burnap, Mrs. Mary A. Temple, Mrs. Edwin Richardson, Willard N. Ross, and Charles Lamb, L. M. Am. H. M. S.</i>	
<i>Ladies' H. M. S. in full to const. Mrs. Abby T. Frost and Miss L. M. Boutelle L. M.</i>	222 04
<i>A friend to const. Miss E. P. Sanderson L. M. Am. H. M. S.</i>	54 11
<i>Foxboro', Orthodox Soc. annual coll. \$62 66; mon. conc. \$4 16; to const. Robert W. Kerr and Levi R. Hewins L. M.</i>	30 00
<i>Fairhaven, Cong. Ch. and Soc.</i>	66 82
<i>Frammingham, Hollis Evan. Soc. to const. Mrs. A. M. Parsons, Mrs. L. M. Whittemore, and Miss H. L. Eames L. M.</i>	67 15
	105 89

<i>Georgetown</i> , 1st Cong. Ch. and Soc.	\$38 00
<i>Grafton</i> , Evan. Ch. and Soc. to cons. David Jordan and E. P. Dennis, L. M.	60 00
<i>Groton</i> , Union Ch.	52 10
<i>Gloucester Harbor</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Rev. Lysander Dickerman L. M.	53 00
<i>Gill</i> , Gift of Miss Sarah C. Wilder, dec'd,	5 00
<i>Granby</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	201 25
<i>Greenwich</i> , Ladies' Miss. Soc.	11 45
<i>Holliston</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. \$65 88; \$68 30;	134 18
Legacy of Asenath Goodrich, by Cyrus Kilburn, Ex'r,	200 00
<i>Hingham</i> , Evan. Cong. Ch. to const. Samuel G. Bayley L. M.	30 00
<i>Haverhill</i> , Centre Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Sarah Kelley, Fanny Walker, Sarah J. Robie, Mrs. Isaac R. Howe, and Robert Chase L. M. Am. H. M. S.	155 00
East Parish, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	15 00
<i>Harmony Conference</i> , Coll. at meeting, \$25; do. \$51;	76 00
<i>Hinsdale</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	71 88
<i>Hampden Co. H. M. Soc.</i> H. Brewer, Treas.—Including from 1st Ch. Springfield, to const. Miss Martha Calhoun and Levi P. Rowland; 2d Ch. and Soc. Westfield, to const. Lyman Dimmick L. M. Am. H. M. S.	411 16
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<i>Lancaster</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	36 08
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High St. Ch. and Soc.	23 24
Kirk St. Ch. and Soc.	148 74
John St. Ch. and Soc.	15 87
<i>Lenox</i> , A friend,	1 60
<i>Longwood</i> , E. and E.	3 00
<i>Leominster</i> , Evan. Cong. Ch. and Soc.	68 37
<i>Littleton</i> , Orthodox Cong. Soc. to const. Francis Conant L. M.	37 71
<i>Lawrence</i> , S. I. H.	15 00
<i>Lynn</i> , Central Cong. Ch.	31 00
<i>Leicester</i> , 1st Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Rev. Amos A. Coolidge, Mrs. Harriot Coolidge, Mrs. Anna S. Denny, and Charles A. Denny L. M.	127 63
<i>Milford</i> , Legacy of Mrs. Hannah Parkhurst,	25 00
Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. N. Torrey L. M. \$10; \$31 61;	41 61
<i>Madura</i> , India, A friend,	15 00
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1st Ch. and Soc. to const. Joseph H. Bourne L. M.	32 31
2d Trin. Ch. and Soc.	14 09
<i>Medway</i> , 1st Ch. and Soc. \$2; \$37 10;	39 10
Village Ch. and Soc.	13 65
East, Miss M. Metcalf,	25
John Cushing, \$3; Albert Bullard, \$1 75;	4 75
West, Cong. Ch. and Soc. contribution, \$33 19; mon. conc. \$22 83;	56 02
<i>Millbury</i> , 1st Ch. and Soc. to const. Miss Eliza Waters and L. H. Bancroft L. M.; \$60 from Samuel A. Small to const. him and Leonard Rice L. M.	125 00
2d Cong. Ch. and Soc. \$53 60; \$22 66;	76 16
Legacy of Hannah L. Goodell, by Lyman Goodell, Ex'r,	550 00
<i>Middleboro'</i> , North, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	15 62
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Rev. Mr. Marvin's Soc.	45 00
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Union Cong. Ch.	30 00
<i>Milton</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	26 00
Evan. Cong. Soc. to const. Simeon Emerson L. M.	33 00
<i>New Bedford</i> , Trinitarian Ch.	38 00
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<i>Newton</i> , Legacy of Newell Bent, by Rev. D. L. Furber,	100 00
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<i>West</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	60 01
1st Ch. Ladies' H. M. Soc. in full, to const. Mrs. Ruth Wiswall and Mrs. Lucy Seaver L. M.	36 00
<i>Natick</i> , 1st Ch. and Soc. H. B. Morse, Treas. to const. Charles Rockwood L. M. \$80 55; \$8 30;	68 85
<i>Newburyport</i> , Rev. Dr. Dimmick's Soc. \$57 31; \$35 98;	93 29
A lady in Rev. Dr. Dimmick's Soc.	10 00
Rev. Dr. Withington's Soc. \$18 15; \$23 27;	41 42
Do. do. Ladies' Reading Soc. to const. Miss Abigail Coffin L. M.	30 00
Whitefield Ch. and Soc.	22 16
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Belleville Cong. Soc. to const. Mrs. Sophronia Little, Miss Harriot Savary, Dr. F. A. Howe, Enoch P. Chase, James Ladd, Moses A. Currier, Israel A. Morse, L. M. Am. H. M. S.	225 91
Rev. Mr. Campbell's Soc. Fem. H. M. S. to const. Mrs. Jerusha Toppan L. M. Am. H. M. S.	30 00
Ladies' Gleaning Circle,	13 33
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2d Parish.	27 91
Rev. Mr. Herbert's Soc.	21 00
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<i>Norfolk Conference</i> , Coll. at meeting, \$37 50; do. \$50;	87 50
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<i>Oxford</i> , Rev. Mr. Bardwell's Soc. \$40; \$55;	95 00
Do. do. Ladies' Sewing Soc.	10 00
<i>Oakham</i> , Cong. Soc.	14 29
<i>Otis</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	27 50
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<i>Plymouth</i> , 2d Ch. and Soc.	15 85
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<i>Roxbury</i> , Eliot Ch. a friend,	20 00
Do. bal. of cont. 1857,	67 00
Do. annual cont.	745 75
<i>Rutland</i> , 1st Cong. Ch. and Soc.	17 06
<i>Stoughton</i> , Sanford Gay,	28 75
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<i>Stoneham</i> , Ladies' Benev. Soc. to const. Mrs. Sally Buck L. M.	47 00
<i>Sherborn</i> , Evan. Cong. Soc.	30 86
<i>South Dancvers</i> , Legacy of Miss Mary Eden, in part, by Wm. Walcott, Ex'r,	450 00
<i>Templeton</i> , Cong. Soc. mon. conc. \$8 52; coll. to const. Charles T. Fisher L. M. Am. H. M. S. \$30;	38 52
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<i>Teekbury</i> , A friend to const. Rev. J. Coggin L. M.	30 00
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Do. do.	60 00
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<i>Walpole, East</i> , Mrs. Lewis, \$1; \$1;	2 00
Female Benev. Soc.	12 00
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<i>Waltham</i> , Trin. Cong. Soc. to const. Rev. Richard B. Thurston L. M.	38 25
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<i>Woburn</i> , 1st Cong. Ch. and Soc.	216 74
Calvin Richardson,	32 00
<i>Whitinsville</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	164 00
<i>Waldoboro'</i> , Me. Samuel Morse.	5 00
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<i>Weymouth, North</i> , Rev. Mr. Emery's Soc.	101 27
South, Female Praying Circle,	17 25
<i>Weymouth and Braintree</i> , Union Ch. and Soc. Ladies' Soc. to const. Miss Sally Lane L. M.	36 59
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<i>Southboro'</i> , Clothing and books, Legacy of Polly Nichols, \$22; freight, \$3;	25 00
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A public meeting shall also be held annually in the same city, on the evening of the same day; to be conducted in such manner as the Executive Committee shall direct; and an annual sermon shall be preached at the time and place of the meeting of the General Association of Massachusetts, by some person appointed by said Association, and a collection taken in aid of the funds of the Society. An annual delegation may be sent to the General Association of Massachusetts, on such terms as may be agreed upon by the two bodies.

VIII. These Rules and Regulations shall be subject to any amendments and improvements which this Society shall think proper to adopt; but no amendments shall be adopted, except by the vote of two-thirds of the members present at an annual meeting; nor unless the same shall have been recommended by the Executive Committee.

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The policy and general principles of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society may be summarily stated thus:—

1. To assist feeble churches and societies in sustaining their ministers.
2. To give only such aid as will meet the deficiency after they have paid at least *one per cent.* of their taxable property.
3. In no case to grant over \$200 per annum to the same missionary flock.
4. To afford help only to such as, by reason of *distance*, cannot go to other churches of their own order.
5. To pledge no sum of money for a longer period than one year.
6. To require of each missionary a statistical report of his field annually; and quarterly reports if he desires quarterly payments.
7. To require feeble churches to fulfill their engagements with their *pastors* each year before they renew their application for aid.

In applying these general rules, which, of course, must be modified somewhat to meet all conceivable cases, the Committee usually give the strongest encouragement to such parishes as (other things being equal) have *settled pastors*; and the least to those which subsist on occasional supplies;—while they have ceased to make any appropriation at all where the preacher does not reside among the people.

# CONSTITUTION

OF THE

## AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

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**ART. 1.** This Society shall be denominated "THE AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY."

**ART. 2.** The object of this Society shall be, to assist congregations that are unable to support the Gospel Ministry, and to send the Gospel to the destitute, within the United States; also, to co-operate with evangelical Christians in the support of Home Missions in nominally Christian countries, to such an extent as the funds of the Institution may justify.

**ART. 3.** The Officers of the Society shall be, a President, Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, an Auditor, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, and fifty Directors, who shall be annually appointed by the Society; and who, together with the Directors for life, shall constitute a Board, seven of whom shall be a quorum, at any meeting regularly convened.

**ART. 4.** The Officers and Directors shall appoint an Executive Committee of thirteen, (including the Treasurer, the Corresponding Secretary, and the Recording Secretary,) residing in the City of New York and its vicinity; five of whom shall be a quorum, at any meeting regularly convened. This Committee shall have power to appoint its own meetings, form its own rules of business, and fill any vacancies in its own number which may occur during the year, and to convene special meetings of the Board or Society; shall appoint Missionaries, and instruct them as to the field and manner of their labors; shall have the disposal of the funds; shall create such agency or agencies for appointing Missionaries, and for other purposes, as the interests of the institution may require; and shall make an Annual Report of their proceedings to the Society.

**ART. 5.** The Treasurer shall give bonds, annually, to such amount as the Executive Committee shall think proper.

**ART. 6.** Any person may become a member of this Society, by contributing annually to its funds; thirty dollars paid at one time shall constitute a Member for life; and one hundred dollars paid at one time shall constitute a Director for life; and any person, on the payment of a sum, which, in addition to any previous contribution to the funds, shall amount to one hundred dollars, shall be a Director for life. An executor, on paying a legacy of two hundred and fifty dollars to the funds of this Society, shall be a Member for life; and the payment of a legacy of one thousand dollars shall constitute him a Director for life.

**ART. 7.** Any Missionary Society may become auxiliary, by agreeing to pay into the Treasury of this Society the whole of its surplus funds, and sending to the Corresponding Secretary a copy of its Constitution and Annual Reports, mentioning the names of its Missionaries, and the fields of their operations.

**ART. 8.** Every Auxiliary Society which shall agree to pay the whole of its funds to this Society, shall be entitled to a Missionary or Missionaries, to labor in such field as it may designate; at least to the amount of its contributions; provided such designation be made at the time of payment.

**ART. 9.** The Officers of all Auxiliary Societies shall be ex officio Directors; and annual contributors to their funds shall be members of the Society.

**ART. 10.** This Society shall meet annually in the City of New York, on the Wednesday next preceding the second Thursday in May.

**ART. 11.** No alteration shall be made in this Constitution, without a vote of two-thirds of the members present, at an annual meeting; nor unless the same shall have been proposed at a previous annual meeting, or recommended by the Executive Committee.

## SYSTEMATIC CONTRIBUTIONS.

THE following plan for systematic contributions in Massachusetts to the various objects of benevolence here specified, was recommended by the General Association of the State, at their meeting in Ipswich, June 24, 1840, and has been extensively adopted by the local Associations and Conferences. The necessity for *some* uniform system has long been felt, and it is hoped that this will meet the approbation of all.

### 1. BOSTON AND VICINITY.

According to the arrangement made by these churches in 1833.

Foreign Missions, *January*.  
Education Society, *February*.  
City Missions, *April*.  
Sabbath Schools, *June*.  
Home Missions, *September*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *October*.  
Tract Society, *November*.

### 2. ESSEX COUNTY AND ANDOVER ASSOCIATION.

Bible Society, *December and January*.  
Foreign Missions, *February and March*.  
Education Society, *April and May*.  
Home Missions, *June and July*.  
Tract Society, *August and September*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *October*.  
Sabbath School Society, *November*.

### 3. MIDDLESEX UNION AND WOBURN ASSOCIATIONS.

Bible Society, *January and February*.  
Foreign Missions, *March and April*.  
Education Society, *May and June*.  
Home Missions, *July and August*.  
Tract Society, *September and October*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *November*.  
Sabbath School Society, *December*.

### 4. NORFOLK COUNTY AND CONFERENCE, AND MENDON ASSOCIATION.

Bible Society, *February and March*.  
Foreign Missions, *April and May*.  
Education Society, *June and July*.  
Home Missions, *August and September*.  
Tract Society, *October and November*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *December*.  
Sabbath School Society, *January*.

### 5. BERKSHIRE COUNTY.

Bible Society, *March and April*.  
Foreign Missions, *May and June*.  
Education Society, *July and August*.  
Home Missions, *September and October*.  
Tract Society, *November and December*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *January*.  
Sabbath School Society, *February*.

### 6. HAMPDEN COUNTY.

Bible Society, *April and May*.  
Foreign Missions, *June and July*.  
Education Society, *August and September*.  
Home Missions, *October and November*.  
Tract Society, *December and January*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *February*.  
Sabbath School Society, *March*.

### 7. HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.

Bible Society, *May and June*.  
Foreign Missions, *July and August*.  
Education Society, *September and October*.  
Home Missions, *November and December*.  
Tract Society, *January and February*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *March*.  
Sabbath School Society, *April*.

### 8. FRANKLIN COUNTY AND WORCESTER NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Bible Society, *June and July*.  
Foreign Missions, *August and September*.  
Education Society, *October and November*.  
Home Missions, *December and January*.  
Tract Society, *February and March*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *April*.  
Sabbath School Society, *May*.

### 9. WORCESTER CENTRAL AND BROOKFIELD ASSOCIATIONS.

Bible Society, *July and August*.  
Foreign Missions, *September and October*.  
Education Society, *November and December*.  
Home Missions, *January and February*.  
Tract Society, *March and April*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *May*.  
Sabbath School Society, *June*.

### 10. MIDDLESEX SOUTH AND HARMONY CONFERENCES.

Bible Society, *August and September*.  
Foreign Missions, *October and November*.  
Education Society, *December and January*.  
Home Missions, *February and March*.  
Tract Society, *April and May*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *June*.  
Sabbath School Society, *July*.

### 11. TAUNTON AND VICINITY AND OLD COLONY CONFERENCES.

Bible Society, *September and October*.  
Foreign Missions, *November and December*.  
Education Society, *January and February*.  
Home Missions, *March and April*.  
Tract Society, *May and June*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *July*.  
Sabbath School Society, *August*.

### 12. PILGRIM AND BARNSTABLE CONFERENCES.

Bible Society, *October and November*.  
Foreign Missions, *December and January*.  
Education Society, *February and March*.  
Home Missions, *April and May*.  
Tract Society, *June and July*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *August*.  
Sabbath School Society, *September*.







### AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

It is respectfully requested, that when auxiliary societies are formed, information may be given immediately to the Secretary, with the names and residences of the officers of such societies—and a copy of the constitution, and the names of the towns or parishes (if more than one) included within their limits.

It is also requested, that they report progress once a year—immediately after their annual meeting—or before the first of May. The grounds of these requests are:

1. That the Executive Committee may know how much ground is occupied in the State by auxiliaries—and how much is unorganized.
2. That they may know with whom to correspond officially—and how to make arrangements for delegations to the annual meetings of auxiliaries.
3. That they may forward the Annual Reports of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, and of the American Home Missionary Society, to the several auxiliaries—and also the "Home Missionary" to each association contributing ten dollars or more annually to the funds of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

*Unless special directions be given to the contrary, these publications will be forwarded by mail.*

### APPLICATIONS FOR AID.

It is expected that any feeble congregation desiring aid in supporting the gospel, will regard the following particulars in their application, not only in the first instance, but as often as the application is renewed.

1. The number of members in the church.
2. The number of families or polls in the society.
3. The whole population of the town or parish.
4. The number usually attending public worship, or the number that may be expected to attend.
5. The amount of property belonging to members of the society, as rated on the State bill, or town valuation.
6. The amount supposed necessary for a minister's support.
7. The mode of collection—whether by tax or voluntary subscription.
8. The utmost amount that can be secured for the object, within the limits of the society.
9. The least amount that must be derived from other sources.
10. The probable length of time for which charitable aid will be needed.

A written statement on these topics, signed by a committee of the church or society, is required, and the correctness of the statement is to be vouched by two or three neighboring ministers, who are expected at the same time to certify that in their opinion the request for assistance ought to be granted.

### FORM OF A BEQUEST TO THE MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

I GIVE unto the Treasurer of the "Massachusetts Home Missionary Society," the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ dollars, for the purposes of said Society, and for which the receipt of such Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge.

Some important legacies have been lost to the cause of Home Missions, through inattention to the legal name of the Society, to which they were given.

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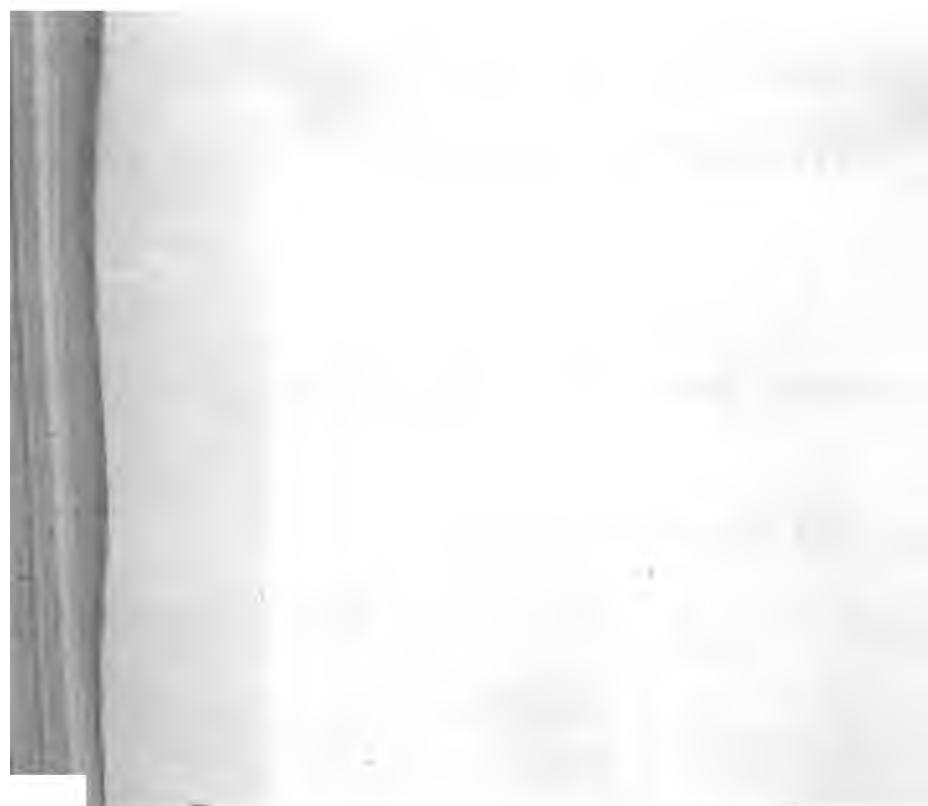
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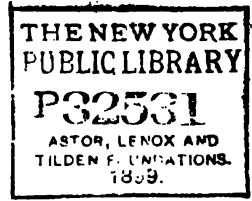
OF THE

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PRESENTED MAY 29, 1860.



SIXTY-FIRST



# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY,

PRESENTED BY THE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

AT THE

ANNIVERSARY MEETING IN BOSTON,

MAY 29, 1860.

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## NOTICES.

ALL communications intended for the Executive Committee, and any correspondence relating to the general interests of the Society, may be addressed to Rev. HENRY B. HOOKER, Secretary, Congregational Library Building, Boston.

All remittances of money, and whatever communications relate to the pecuniary concerns of the Board, may be made to BENJAMIN PERKINS, Esq., Treasurer, No. 39 State Street, Boston.

Persons, in any part of the State, wishing to become Life Members or Life Directors of the American Home Missionary Society—or to make donations in any form to its funds, can transmit their donations through the treasury of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

Life Membership in the American Home Missionary Society, is *thirty dollars*.

Life Directorship in the do. do. is *one hundred dollars*.

Life Membership in the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, is *thirty dollars*.

[☐] The Secretaries of Auxiliary Societies, are earnestly requested to forward copies of their Annual Reports, without delay, to the Secretary of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, Congregational Library Building, Boston. Also to furnish a list of the Officers chosen at each annual meeting. Compliance with these requests will enable the Committee of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society to furnish, in connection with their Annual Report, a satisfactory account of the state and progress of each Auxiliary.

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THE HOME MISSIONARY is published monthly by the American Home Missionary Society, 160 Nassau Street, New York. It is also distributed from the Secretary's Office, Congregational Library Building, Boston, for the accommodation of subscribers and others entitled to it, who reside in this State. Terms, *fifty cents per annum*, in advance.

[☐] It is sent *gratis* to Life Members, Missionaries, and Auxiliary Associations of either Society; to all pastors whose congregations contribute any sum annually to either treasury; to all persons who serve as collectors; and to each donor of \$10 annually who signifies a wish to receive it. Application may be made to the Treasurer, who is Agent for the distribution of the Home Missionary in Massachusetts.

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**STANDING RULE.**—The Missionary who makes his Reports to the Secretary of the Society *quarterly*, shall be entitled to quarterly drafts on the Treasury. Those who report *semi-annually*, shall be entitled to semi-annual drafts. Those who fail to render an *Annual Report* on or before the first day of APRIL, shall thereby forfeit the patronage of the Society, unless a sufficient excuse be rendered. In the Annual Report, definite answers to the following questions are required.

1. What is the number of rateable polls—also families—in your society?
2. What is the amount of your Society's valuation on the town assessors' book?
3. What proportion of it is in the hands of church members?
4. What aid do you receive from persons in your congregation not connected with your Society?
5. What productive funds has your society?
6. What is your stipulated salary?
7. How is it raised—by tax or subscription?
8. Is it punctually paid?
9. What is the average number in your Sabbath congregations?
10. What is the number of your church members—male—female?
11. What additions during the year ending April 1st—by profession—by letter?
12. What the number of baptisms—adult—infant?
13. How many hopeful conversions have occurred?
14. What is the number in your Sabbath school and Bible class?
15. What progress has been made in temperance?
16. What is the amount of contributions to the Mass. Home Missionary Society?
17. What the amount contributed to all other religious charities?
18. What special encouragements or discouragements have you in your labors?

[In answering these inquiries, it will only be necessary to refer to their numerical designation, without transcribing them.]

## ANNUAL MEETING.

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THE MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY met at the Committee Room of the Congregational Library Association, at 10 o'clock, A. M., May 29, 1860.

Rev. W. A. STEARNS, President, took the Chair. Rev. L. SABIN, D. D., was chosen Scribe. The meeting was opened with prayer by the President. The Minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary.

The Report of the Executive Committee was adopted, and an Abstract was ordered to be read at the public meeting to be held this evening.

The Treasurer's Report, duly audited, was read and adopted. Rev. Drs. BLANCHARD, CLEAVELAND and SABIN were appointed a committee on nomination of Officers. The Officers for the ensuing year were nominated and chosen—see next page—adopting the same Officers as last year, excepting Hon. WILLIAM HYDE and Rev. JOHN PIKE, as Trustees in place of Rev. REUBEN EMERSON, D. D., and Rev. L. F. DIMMICK, D. D., deceased.

The Secretary and Rev. SETH SWEETSER, D. D., were chosen delegates to the General Association.

Adjourned to attend the public services of the Anniversary at the Central Church, at 7½ o'clock.

LEWIS SABIN, *Clerk.*

Attest: H. B. HOOKER, *Secretary.*

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## PUBLIC MEETING.

The public services were held at the appointed hour, in the Central Church. Appropriate hymns were sung, and prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. BADGER, of New York.

The audience were then addressed by Rev. AUSTIN PHELPS, D. D., of Andover. Subject, The Relation of an Educated Ministry to the People.

The exercises were closed with prayer and the benediction.

## OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY.

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REV. WILLIAM A. STEARNS, D. D.

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EZRA FARNSWORTH, Esq.	

## ANNUAL REPORT.

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THE year of our Home Missionary work, which closes to-day, has not been marked by any event demanding special notice. The servants of God, in our employ, have been steadily pursuing the work given them to do, and commending themselves to the Great Master and the approval of the churches, by patient continuance in well-doing. They occupy, for the most part, rural districts, and move in scenes remote from great thoroughfares. The scattered sheep of the Great Shepherd are their special care. "To the poor the gospel is preached," was descriptive of their Lord's ministry; and they are chiefly occupied with the spiritual oversight of the same class. The humble earthly circumstances of their flocks, are no impediment to the loving and faithful discharge of their duties; rather the more hopeful are their labors, in that fewer temptations are in the way of salvation, than among those moving among the excitements of larger towns, and absorbed in the activity of more stirring scenes of life. And we cannot but commend and honor such servants of God as those who, fitted for higher and more extended spheres, are willing to forego such advancement, and content themselves with seeking the spiritual good of those in humbler walks. In an emphatic sense are they in co-operation with Him who "shall deliver the needy when he crieth, the poor also and him that hath no helper."

### **The Treasury.**

The balance in the Treasury, at the commencement of the year, was \$1,887 20. The amount of contributions and legacies received during the year is \$31,444 67, which falls short of the receipts of last year by \$1,595 71. To the above-named receipts should be added \$14,899 37 going from this State directly to the National Society at New York—not passing through our Treasury. The whole amount, therefore, received from this field the past year, is \$46,344 04—falling short of the donations of the former year by \$12,404 77. This decrease arises chiefly from the smaller number of legacies the present year. An unusually large number of legacies were paid the last year.



The disbursements for missionary labor in Massachusetts have been \$5,402 52; for defraying the proportion of incidental expenses \$1,101 52; and there have been paid to the American Home Missionary Society, from this State, \$39,899,37 to be expended on the field at large.

### Tabular View.

The Society's operations within our own State, are exhibited, as heretofore, in a tabular form—showing the names of the missionaries; the date of their commissions and the fields of their labor; together with the progress of the churches, so far as their statistical returns will show it. Brief sketches of missionary labor and its results in the several stations, gleaned chiefly from quarterly reports, are subjoined.

Churches and Missionaries.	Date of Commission.	Length of com.	Dollars appropriated.	Average congrega'n.	Church members.	Added by profession.	Added by letter.	Infants baptized.	Reported conversions.	Sub. sch. and B. cl.	Contributions to Home Missions.	Contributions to other objects.
1. ANDOVER, <i>Ballardsdale.</i> Rev. Henry S. Greene, P. .	March 1, 1859	12	100	150	52	6	1	10	125	30 00	17 00	
2. AUGSTERLITZ, N. Y. Rev. Charles S. Sylvester, s. s.	Sept. 15, 1858	12	75	35	23	3	.	3	.	.	.	.
3. BARNSTABLE, <i>Cotuit.</i> Rev. Elisha Bacon, s. s. .	Sept. 20, 1859	12	50	75	30	1	.	3	1	30	.	.
4. BARNSTABLE, <i>Hyannis.</i> Rev. Charles Morgridge, P. .	Jan. 1, 1860	12	150	110	25	1	.	2	40	.	.	.
5. BERNARDSTON. Rev. Theodore F. Clark, s. s. .	June 19, 1859	12	100	80	56	.	3	1	40	22 44	.	.
6. BOSTON, <i>German Church.</i> Rev. Louis B. Schwartz, P. .	Nov. 17, 1859	12	200	160	.	7	22	6	165	.	30 00	
7. BOXBORO'. Rev. James H. Fitts, s. s. .	Sept. 1, 1859	12	100	100	68	.	.	4	60	11 38	62 30	
8. CANTON. Rev. Ezra Haskell, P. . .	July 1, 1859	12	200	150	30	.	.	1	112	8 50	8 50	
9. CARLISLE. Rev. Josiah Ballard, P. . .	April 1, 1860	12	150	110	64	4	4	3	75	13 00	.	.
10. CHELSEA, <i>North.</i> Rev. Marcus Ames, s. s. .	Aug. 1, 1859	12	200	95	22	1	3	.	2	85	15 00	10 00
11. CHESTER, <i>Factories.</i> Rev. Zolva Whitmore, s. s. .	July 1, 1859	12	200	85	19	.	1	6	35	9 28	5 00	
12. DANA. Rev. John Keep, P. . .	Jan. 1, 1860	12	200	100	43	2	1	.	60	17 00	42 00	
13. DANVERS, <i>Brookdale.</i> Rev. Dana Cloyes, s. s. .	June 1, 1859	12	50	100	.	.	.	.	75	.	.	.
14. DOVER. Rev. S. S. Norton, s. s. .	June 20, 1859	12	150	60	32	4	.	4	50	11 56	.	.

\* \$150 additional, by direction of Barnstable County Conference.

† \$30 additional, by direction of Brookfield County Conference.

Churches and Missionaries.	Date of Commission.	Length of com.	Dollars appropriated.	Average congrega'n.	Church members.	Added by profession.	Added by letter.	Infants baptised.	Reported conversions.	Sab. sch. and B. cl.	Contributions to Home Missions.	Contributions to other objects.
15. DOUGLAS. Rev. Gilbert B. Richardson, <i>s. s.</i>	Sept. 2, 1859	12	300	70	48	2	2	5	55	16 00	.	.
16. ERVING. <i>Occasional supplies, . . .</i>	.	.	200	100	28	.	.	.	60	.	.	.
17. FRANKLIN, <i>South.</i> Rev. H. M. Vail, <i>s. s.</i>	Jan. 1, 1860	12	300	60	25	.	.	.	40	3 25	.	.
18. HAVERHILL, <i>East.</i> Rev. Abraham Burnham, <i>P.</i>	May 28, 1859	12	150	100	38	.	.	.	50	15 00	17 00	
19. HEATH. Rev. Isaac Esty, <i>s. s.</i>	April 17, 1859	12	100	65	33	.	.	.	30	5 00	8 00	
20. HINGHAM. Rev. E. Porter Dyer, <i>P.</i>	Sept. 15, 1859	12	160	135	39	3	1	2	90	13 00	30 00	
21. HOLLAND. Rev. Francis Wood, <i>s. s.</i>	April 15, 1859	12	150	80	41	.	.	.	60	16 80	26 79	
22. HOLYOKE. Rev. James B. R. Walker, <i>P.</i>	April 1, 1859	12	300	202	166	1	5	1	4	155	45 47	289 00
23. LITTLETON. Rev. Elihu Loomis, <i>s. s.</i>	Oct. 22, 1859	12	125	80	51	.	2	1	60	59 00	326 84	
24. NATICK, <i>South.</i> Rev. E. E. Strong, <i>P.</i>	June 1, 1859	12	200	150	24	1	6	.	7	67	.	.
25. NEW SALEM. Rev. Erastus Curtiss, <i>s. s.</i>	Nov. 1, 1859	12	150	70	.	1	.	.	40	7 35	8 00	
26. NORTHFIELD. Rev. Willard Jones, <i>P.</i>	April 1, 1859	12	100	125	72	1	1	.	6	80	11 57	26 00
27. OTIS. Rev. Thomas A. Hall, <i>s. s.</i>	April 1, 1859	12	50	150	100	2	3	.	5	90	32 00	18 00
28. PITTSFIELD, <i>African Church.</i> Rev. Samuel Harrison, <i>P.</i>	Oct. 1, 1859	12	100	100	43	4	2	.	5	40	.	.
29. PITTSFIELD, <i>German.</i> Rev. A. Grotian, <i>s. s.</i>	Jan. 1, 1860	12	150	75	104	10	.	4	10	.	4 00	.
30. SALISBURY. Rev. Nathan Lassell, <i>s. s.</i>	April 1, 1859	12	150	150	.	.	.	.	.	22 00	22 00	
31. SHIRLEY. Rev. Daniel H. Babcock, <i>s. s.</i>	April 1, 1860	12	125	100	63	1	.	.	1	60	.	.
32. SHUTESBURY. Rev. Anson Hubbard, <i>s. s.</i>	May 1, 1859	12	200	75	57	6	3	.	.	50	3 00	3 00
33. SPRINGFIELD, <i>Indian Orchard.</i> Rev. F. A. Barton, <i>s. s.</i>	Sept. 21, 1859	12	175	150	60	2	1	1	1	70	23 06	.
34. STOCKBRIDGE, <i>Curtisville.</i> Rev. S. C. Brace, <i>s. s.</i>	April 1, 1859	12	75	110	65	.	1	.	.	50	23 00	.
35. TAUNTON <i>East.</i> Rev. James E. Cushing, <i>s. s.</i>	May 1, 1859	12	200	90	21	.	.	.	.	94	3 37	10 00
36. WARWICK. Rev. Henry M. Bridge, <i>s. s.</i>	Mar. 14, 1859	12	150	100	61	.	1	.	.	65	24 00	26 00
37. WATERTOWN. Rev. Stephen E. Dennen, <i>P.</i>	July 1, 1859	12	175	200	114	4	6	.	12	150	.	.
38. WESTPORT. Rev. Isaac Dunham, <i>s. s.</i>	June 1, 1859	12	200	100	17	1	.	.	.	100	65 00	12 50

### Details of Missionary Labor and its Results.

1. **ANDOVER, Ballardvale.**—The pastor, who has long been in service here, is still at his post, watching for the interests of Zion. Reviving influences are greatly needed to give new life to the drooping hearts of the disciples; but the steady preaching of the gospel is exerting a happy influence. "The interest and attention, in all our meetings, is unusually good. The Sabbath school has become of marked interest. We have instructed all the children in singing; so that they have been ready to join in the songs of the sanctuary, and by their songs have their homes been made happy. It is certain that the character of our place is changed for the better. We have some adversities. Our families are given to change. Poverty is an ever-present genius. \* \* We carry in our hearts the kindness of the Missionary Society, feeling, that were it not for missionary aid, we should be broken down, and have to give up."

2. **AUSTERLITZ, N. Y.**—The little handful of disciples who have, for years, been on the eve of giving up separate worship, have at last reached that conclusion. Never strong, by deaths and removals they have been growing more and more feeble. Rev. C. S. Sylvester, who has for years spent a portion of his labors here, confines them now wholly to the neighboring church in Spencertown. Those for whom he labored here will enjoy evangelical preaching of another denomination, and an application for another grant from these few disciples is not expected.

3. **BARNSTABLE, Cotuit.**—This feeble band of believers is a remnant of the missionary church, so long and so faithfully served by the Rev. Phineas Fish. For many years Mr. Fish was a missionary to the Marshpee Indians. In consequence of sore trials and division among the people, Mr. Fish gave up the old church edifice to another denomination, and so many of the church as adhered to him continued their connection with him at Cotuit, worshipping in a church edifice erected chiefly by his efforts. Since his death there has been occasional preaching, and a small grant has been made by this Society to keep alive the things "that were ready to die." Rev. Elisha Bacon supplies them for a portion of the year, and reports that "there are warm-hearted ones there, looking and praying for the descent of the Holy Spirit—that perfect harmony prevails—and some are inquiring for the way of life."

4. **BARNSTABLE, Hyannis.**—This enterprise makes slow, yet some progress. Attendance on public worship has increased during the year, and individuals have recently become residents in the place who render important aid in carrying on religious services. It is believed that the interests of religion would be materially advanced by enlarging the church edifice. "We want nothing," says the pastor, "that man can provide, so much as more room. Several persons have given up their pews to strangers, and sit wherever they can find a place." Efforts are being made to enlarge the house, which, it is believed, will be successful. A bell is greatly needed,

and any benevolent individual who should make such an offering to this little Zion would do a great kindness. It is of vast importance that this fountain of evangelical influence should be kept open, and that its increase of strength should pour out a large stream of the waters of life upon a community where they are so greatly needed. We rejoice that the pastor can say, in a recent report: "Our prospects have brightened of late, more than at any time since I came here."

5. BERNARDSTON.—This church, which received aid for the twelve years succeeding 1825, and afterward for one year, 1850, has been constrained, by the straitness of its present circumstances, to renew its application for missionary aid. Rev. Theodore J. Clark commenced labor here in June last, with a cordial welcome from the people, and with flattering prospects of usefulness. The regular Sabbath evening meeting secures the attention of some who do not ordinarily attend on evangelical preaching. A flourishing literary institution in the place presents a special reason for securing as much decidedly religious influence as possible.

6. BOSTON, *German Church*.—The laborer in this field has many and serious difficulties to contend with—the most serious of which is the shifting, changing character of his countrymen to whom he ministers; though poverty comes in also as an important element in the estimate of his trials. He, however, is permitted to make the record "that his people compare well with others in respect of self-denying missionary activity, in the knowledge of God's eternal truth as it is in Christ, and in personal, and sincere, and deep piety. This church has had its mission, and has been a great blessing since its organization. The Lord has owned it as his instrument in strengthening goodness in thousands of hearts, and in making many families as 'salt' and as 'light' to the thousands on their way through this city to their Western, Southern, or their Heavenly homes. And should we, at any future day, from circumstances uncontrollable, or from want of sufficient support, be forced to shut the church door against those worshipping there, it would be a lamentable loss to the community, and we hope that day is distant."

Some special influences of the divine Spirit have been enjoyed, several have expressed hope in Christ, and others are inquiring. The regular services are fully attended, great attention is paid to the preached word, and its power seems deepening in the hearts of the hearers. Intemperance is banished from the society. A large and flourishing Sabbath school is shedding its precious influences upon the young.

7. BOXBORO'.—Rev. James H. Fitts has continued his efficient labors with this little flock through the past year, and with great acceptance to the people. They earnestly desire his permanent residence among them as a settled pastor; an event of vital interest to their highest prosperity. He writes: "Although we cannot report additions to the church, as we might wish, still we feel sure that character and influence in community has been given to this society—an influence for good that will be felt, not only on one, but on many generations. Long-standing prejudices of a dead faith are

giving way, bitterness and scorn for orthodoxy is yielding to respect and confidence, and, in some instances, even to love for its truths. Our feeble church is encouraged by your co-operation. Still grant it. 'Your labor is not in vain in the Lord.'

8. CANTON.—This church, which has long fainted and drooped, seems now coming into a more hopeful condition than it has ever known. A vigorous and energetic young servant of God has cast his lot among the people, and is laboring earnestly and efficiently for their good. A deeply interesting feature, in the present condition of the people, is the successful progress of the work of providing a new and commodious house of worship. In the course of a few weeks, it will be dedicated to the service of God, at which time their young pastor is expected to be ordained over the church and people. A noble spirit of self-sacrificing energy has been shown by this comparatively handful of the friends of Zion. And we are happy to say that sister churches, having seen the struggles of the people to build a house for God, have come generously to their aid. We gladly quote the cheerful and animated language of our missionary: "Our Sabbath congregations continue full and attentive, and the belief is that they will greatly increase when we have a better place of worship. The interest in the Sabbath school, which is without precedent in the history of this church, continues unabated; the attendance is large and regular, and the Sabbath school concerts are of a very interesting character. Our monthly missionary concert is also being revived, and is becoming one of our most interesting meetings. The prospect is that, with the aid of friends and a hard struggle, we shall go into our house free from debt—if we can do this, we feel we shall be able to sustain ourselves without taxing the Missionary Society longer, which will greatly rejoice us. This year, in some respects, is the hardest, and in others, the brightest, in the history of the church."

9. CARLISLE.—During the past year, the Rev. John Lawrence, who had served this church for six years, removed to another field of labor, in another State. But the sheep were not long without a shepherd. Rev. Josiah Ballard received a cordial welcome among them, and was installed as their pastor in September last. A new impulse seems to have been given by this interesting event, and it seems to be auspicious of good. Public worship is better attended; prayer meetings improving in numbers and character; "outward signs encouraging as to the people generally." It is to be hoped that under their new pastor, new life and vigor will take the place of long-continued apathy to divine things, and that this little church will shine forth clear as the sun, and shed a more powerful and happy influence than ever on the surrounding community.

10. CHELSEA, North.—This church, formerly aided, after struggling with adversity has been received again to our care. It has a commodious place of worship, but is surrounded by a variety of evil influences common to the neighborhood of large cities. Intemperance and Sabbath desecration—the latter as connected with "Chelsea Beach"—are named among discouraging

circumstances. But the energetic pastor, whose services the church has enjoyed the past year, is nevertheless encouraged "by the increase of the congregation, and particularly of the Sabbath school; by the harmony that prevails; by the increase of energy and hopefulness among the people; by the increase of activity and prayerfulness in the church; by larger prayer meetings, and by evident and acknowledged thoughtfulness and attention of the unconverted portion of the hearers." We regard this as verily a sunny-side record, and think the pastor, who can make it, should rejoice in so much light, and cheerfully labor on in anticipation of more, expecting to realize the fulfillment of the hope, with which his report closes: "We think the Lord has a rich blessing yet in store for this people."

11. **CHESTER, *Factories.***—From this missionary field among the mountains, we learn that Sabbath worship has been unusually well sustained—the average attendance being greater than in any preceding year of the preacher's labors, with marked and fixed attention to the word; that there has been a very decided advance in the temperance cause. "Of the four grog-shops, open and in successful operation at the opening of the year, not one remains. They have all been closed, in consequence of complaints entered against them by intemperate men themselves, who had frequented them, but who wished these sources of temptation removed out of their way. Some eighty children and youth have joined the Band of Hope. Numbers of adults, also, have taken the pledge, who have hitherto been greatly opposed." The pastor adds: "In view of all the favorable appearances in regard to the interests of morality and religion in this village, I feel that my labors have not been in vain; and that, with the blessing of God upon our efforts, as a church and people, we may look forward to the period, and hope it is not far distant, when a self-supporting church and society will exist here."

12. **DANA.**—The few evangelical persons composing this little flock are obliged to make a great effort to keep the cause of truth from sinking. And they do not manifest any disposition to abandon it; but are determined, with the Lord's help, to persevere in its support. The pastor finds it necessary to identify himself with the people in every effort which is requisite for the growth of the church and society—sharing in all the society's expenses, equally with the most liberal of them. But circumstances demand this, and the results, in the moral influence of this course upon the people, render it worth the while to pursue it. The missionary writes: "I regard it as some encouragement, that God has preserved the church and society. But he has done more. I can see some things which are hardly discernible, and yet they indicate improvement in the state of religion here. Some appearances cause me to hope for a larger attendance upon public worship, for the year to come, than we had the year past." We trust this worthy brother, amid many trials and discouragements, will hold steadily on, never weary in well doing, to reap, in due time, abundant fruit of long and abundant labors.

13. **DANVERS, *Brookdale.***—No church has yet been organized here. By a small grant from this Society, preaching has been sustained through the

year among a large number of people greatly needing religious influences, and who are not near any regular Sabbath services. A flourishing Sabbath school, of seventy-five pupils, has been sustained, well supplied with books, and efficiently carried on. Fourteen of the young people connected with it have received a gift Bible for having committed the twentieth of Exodus and Christ's Sermon on the Mount. About the same number have also received a Bible, or its equivalent, for committing the Assembly's Catechism. A singing school has been sustained through the winter months. About one hundred persons are habitual attendants on public worship. The Messenger, Child's Paper, and Wellspring, are largely circulated among the young, and others, and are exerting a good influence. "I know of no antidote," says our worthy missionary, "to the evils of the long-neglected moral culture of the people here, but the gospel of Christ; and the kind assistance of your Board, in the application of this remedy, has been gratefully received. Should it be prolonged, or even increased, it will be most welcome, and will be turned to valuable account."

14. DOVER.—The present preacher entered on his work with this feeble church nine months ago. Since that time there has been a gradual increase of attendance on public worship. About eighty are present in pleasant weather. The Sabbath school has also increased in numbers and interest. A Sabbath school concert has been established, which had never been held before. The increase of the congregation has not been an increase of pecuniary strength. The people have manifested a very kind and sympathizing spirit toward the missionary. They are grateful for the aid furnished them, without which their sanctuary would be shut up. "On the whole, this little church is now taking more courage, and are looking forward with more hope than at any former period, and trust, at no distant day, to become self-supporting."

15. DOUGLAS.—This little church has enjoyed the faithful labors of Rev. G. B. Richardson, for the last two years. He entered, with joyful zeal and hope, upon his work, at the beginning of that period, sending us the proof of hope, in the statement: "Every thing has prospered here, far beyond my expectations, and I trust that, in time, it will be a self-supporting church." But hope has been deferred, and so little progress has been made, that the pastor himself has left, and intimation is given that more than even the large allowance we had granted, will be needed to save the church from sinking. His final report says: "The want of a feeling of individual responsibility is the grand discouragement. But natural characteristics and local circumstances have had much to do in causing this. There must be a radical change before this can become an efficient church." We learn that steps have been taken to secure a successor in the pastoral office.

16. ERVING.—Since the close of Rev. Mr. Moody's labors, this church has been supplied but a portion of the time, and by different individuals. An unhappy controversy, in reference to the temperance cause, produced temporary division and alienation. It is hoped, however, that strife and discord

on this subject are nearly at an end, and that the people will be united once more. Discord is bad enough any where; but is the ruin of a feeble church, having but just strength enough to live, when all are united. In a recent visit the Secretary found a better state of mind than had prevailed, and a vigorous effort was being made to have the sanctuary opened once more, and the privileges of the gospel sustained; in which effort there is promise of success.

17. *FRANKLIN, South.*—It was the strong purpose of the church, at the opening of the year, to secure the services of a stated pastor. Earnest efforts were made for this purpose; but such a blessing has not yet been secured. Several ministers of the gospel have labored there, several months each, and the peace and harmony of the church have been sustained and much good seed has been sown. Religious services are reported to be well attended, and the people to be interested in securing to themselves the stated ordinances of Christ's house. It is a trial to notice that nothing has been contributed to any of the benevolent institutions of the day; there having been, seemingly, a forgetfulness of the divine maxim, "There is that scattereth and yet increaseth."

18. *HAVERHILL, East.*—"The earnest attention," writes the pastor, "which is generally given to the preaching on the Sabbath, and the degree of solemnity sometimes visible, are encouraging. The good attendance at the monthly and Sabbath school concerts, the readiness of some to take part in these meetings, and in evening prayer meetings, and the increasing ability which such helpers manifest in the discharge of this duty, are the most cheering signs of the times. I may also add, the kind feeling which the people generally manifest toward myself and family."

19. *HEATH.*—Probably no town in Massachusetts has been more affected by the various causes which have combined, in modern days, to sweep the wealth and population from our mountain-towns. Twenty years ago, there was an average assembly of three hundred and fifty at the Congregational place of worship. Now, it scarcely reaches sixty. Then, there were two hundred members in the church, now, but thirty-three. Then, the church was a pillar in Zion, and could bear a prominent part in sending abroad the kingdom of God. Now, it is reduced to such weakness that it must have help from the hand of Christian charity, or utterly perish. That help has been asked, and granted. A worthy servant of Christ has spent the year with them. He writes: "This church and society are reduced very low, as you can see by looking at their number and valuation. And yet I have not thought, at any time, that I could leave them in their low estate. It would pain me exceedingly to see this church come to nothing—there being, in my mind, such hallowed associations connected with its past history, so many good people having been trained up in it, and fitted for usefulness and for heaven." No missionary funds can stay the downward progress of some of our feeble churches; but it is a grateful office to try to 'strengthen the things that remain and are ready to die.'



20. HINGHAM.—After a brief reference to discouragements, the pastor writes: "Encouragements—two adult Bible classes; a growing interest in the study of the Bible; great harmony among the people; increased attendance on the prayer-meetings; a singing school, recently opened in the vestry for twenty-five evenings, for Sabbath scholars and others; prejudices in the immediate vicinity subsiding in some measure, and the influence of truth extending; one recent convert." We are happy to see so much silver lining about the dark cloud. With so much to animate, an anxious pastor may well cheer up his soul with the appeal, "Why art thou cast down, oh my soul?"

21. HOLLAND.—The principal feature of interest in the recent history of this little flock, is the occupancy of their new, neat and commodious place of worship; and not the least important is the fact, that it is paid for. This enterprise drew hard upon their resources, but it showed what a small people can do when fairly aroused and animated in a good cause. This effort puts the religious affairs of the parish on a better footing than they have been for years, and makes its prospects more promising than ever before. The temperance cause has gained ground. Union and harmony prevail in the church and society, and Zion prospers, though no special revival influences are reported.

22. HOLYOKE.—Among the discouragements in this field, one is mentioned as growing out of an intense sectarian zeal, by which members of the church, and others, are tempted, sometimes by pecuniary considerations, to leave their own fold for another; and when this spirit exists among evangelical sects, we believe nothing is more certain to gender strife, stir up the worst passions of the soul, quench the Spirit, and offend the Saviour.

The depressed state of the manufacturing interest, is mentioned as another discouragement, in consequence of which the more stable and reliable of the population seek employment elsewhere, and their places are supplied by a much inferior kind.

But there are rents that let the light through the otherwise gloomy sky, for the pastor is able to speak of his Sabbath school as "flourishing equally with any in the county; of a prosperous Bible class, lately formed; of the fact that, in spite of sectarian strifes, the hearts of the impenitent are capable of being affected," &c. We trust this mission church will remember the rich spiritual blessings that have been granted in other years, and trust and hope and labor on. God has done enough for these disciples to warrant the most delightful confidence for the future, and to encourage the belief that there are yet precious blessings in store.

23. LITTLETON.—This church is gradually gaining strength, and showing that good seed has been sown by its worthy pastor. One valuable sign of life and vigor in the religious society, has been shown in the thorough repair of their house of worship. All such efforts are not only important and honorable in themselves, but react favorably upon the people who engage in so worthy an undertaking, leading them to see that they have power to do good,

and affording them the pleasure of self-approval in doing it; justifying the pastor's remark in this case: "The effort has seemed to strengthen us." Another interesting feature of this people is their interest in benevolent institutions, contributing in proportion to their means more than any other of our mission churches. There is no surer path to spiritual prosperity. May such prosperity mark all the future history of this pastor and his people.

24. *NATICK, South.*—The history and character of the church recently organized here cannot be better stated than it is by the following account by the pastor.

"It is just two hundred years since a church of Christ was first established on this spot. When Eliot, 'the Apostle to the Indians,' found that proximity to the English was unfavorable to those under his charge, he advised their removal to this place. Natick was the first of the 'praying towns,' as the settlements of Christian Indians were first called, and it was for the sake of those for whom he labored that this devoted man commenced and completed that gigantic undertaking, the translation of the Bible into an unwritten language. Preaching on the Sabbath in Roxbury, seventeen miles distant, he returned during the week to tell these red men of the way of life. Success attended his labors, and many of the once wild savages became followers of the meek and lowly Jesus. Before Eliot's death he ordained an Indian named Daniel Takawompbait, as his successor, and the grave-stone of this man is now standing near the centre of the village.

"During the disturbances in the Colonies the Natick band of Indians broke up about the year 1717. Ten years after, another church had to be formed for such Indians as returned, and for such English as came with them. This church, under the care of Rev. Oliver Peabody, was greatly blessed. There was a great out-pouring of the Spirit, and very many conversions. But from various causes this church also became extinct, and a third organization was formed in 1732, which existed nearly fifty years. The evangelical portion of this church gradually withdrew from its membership, on account of the Arminian views of the pastor. With the exception of an effort by a sister denomination, (which afterward removed to the centre of the town,) there has been no evangelical preaching in this village for over a hundred years.

"It is estimated that a population of over a thousand naturally centres here, and it seemed, a year ago, to very many, high time to have the doctrines of the cross preached. Encouraged by the advice of neighboring pastors, and sympathies and generous contributions from many quarters, the people commenced holding religious services in April of last year. The attendance, small at first, gradually increased, and it becoming manifest that the Lord himself was prospering his cause, a church was organized on the 16th of November last, and Rev. E. E. Strong was ordained its pastor."

We add, this little church, founded upon the same faith so long ago preached here by the sainted Eliot, has enjoyed pleasing tokens of the Saviour's presence and love, in the quickening of their graces, and the conversion of sinners; and there is very much to encourage the belief that prophetic language shall be realized, "Thou shalt no more be termed Forsa-

ken ; neither shall thy land any more be termed Desolate ; thou shalt also be a crown of glory in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of thy God." The pastor adds : "The aid, granted by your Society, was not only essential to the life of the church, but greatly encouraged our brethren in the great effort they are making to maintain the preaching of the gospel."

25. NEW SALEM.—Rev. Erastus Curtiss, who has been with this small band of believers for four years, closed his labors with them in March last, and removed to another part of the country. Spiritual blessings were enjoyed under his ministry, during which thirteen persons professed their faith in Christ. About seventy persons have composed the average congregation. Forty children have enjoyed Sabbath school instruction. Various circumstances have combined to make this one of the feeblest of all the churches under our care, and at times, it has seemed it would be an utterly waste place. We learn, however, that another pastor has been obtained by the people, who do not despair in relation to the continuance of the institutions of the gospel among them.

26. NORTHFIELD.—This church, after having been formerly a mission church, and for the last few years self-supporting, has felt constrained to come back again to the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society for aid. It is situated in the beautiful valley of the Connecticut, and in the midst of a population greatly needing the transforming power of evangelical principles. Rev. Willard Jones was installed as pastor over this church in November, and we are happy to learn from him, that special influences of the Spirit of God have been recently enjoyed among his people. He writes : "There has been an almost imperceptibly increasing interest for months. Our Sabbath evening meetings have been regularly filling up, and a deepening impression made, till the second Sabbath in March, when an open manifestation of interest appeared, by several remaining to be conversed with after the close of the meeting. We had seen one young man come into the kingdom before, but now God has called one and another from the circle of young heads of families, and other young people. Oh that this work may continue, increase in power, and spread through all circles, and yet shake the strong pillars of error here. Our people come slowly into the work, and seem like men dreaming. If they would all come up to the help of the Lord, we should not feel the power of the enemy."

27. OTIS.—This church received aid for four years previous to 1830. Various causes combined in weakening it, so that in 1856 aid was again granted, which has exerted a happy influence in securing the continuance of religious privileges, and strengthening the society. Under the judicious and faithful labors of Rev. T. A. Hall, the interests of Zion have been so much promoted here that the church will no longer need missionary aid. The pastor writes : "The year has been one of general prosperity with the people. Peace has prevailed among us. There has been a larger attendance on my preaching than in any previous year, something like twenty more, on an average, on each Sabbath. Four have united with the church during the year. We

have just taken up a collection for Home Missions, amounting to \$32, as a thank-offering to your Society. This religious society has come up promptly to the work, and raised the necessary funds to meet expenses for the coming year, and with the blessing of God, we hope to be henceforth self-sustaining." The friends and patrons of Home Missions will see in this, and similar cases, that most important results grow out of the offerings they make to this benevolent enterprise. Can they make a better investment of a liberal portion of their funds?

28. *PITTSFIELD, African Church.*—This little church occupies an important position in the beautiful and populous town where it is located, and sheds a happy influence over a class which could scarcely have been reached by any other church organization. A congregation of about a hundred, in the average, is served by a pastor, who seems well fitted to his work and patiently and earnestly pursues it. In the midst of the poverty of the people, they have nevertheless, at a cost of six hundred dollars, with friendly aid, thoroughly repaired their place of worship, sadly needing such an interposition to prevent total ruin. Divine influences have not been denied, and five cases of hopeful conversion have been reported. Ethiopia stretches not out her hands in vain unto God.

29. *PITTSFIELD, German Church.*—There are nearly four hundred Germans in this town. They can speak and understand only their own language to any extent. Desirous of religious institutions, they have organized a religious society, elected trustees and deacons, and procured a pastor, Rev. A. Grotian, seven years a pastor in Albany. A place for worship has been provided, and the German people are doing according to their means to sustain the gospel among themselves, and in their own language. The town has presented them with a lot on which to erect a church edifice. From 100 to 150 attend public worship. Some 25 or 30 Catholics are regular attendants. Ten persons have lately professed religion—being the first fruits of this new enterprise. The German population of the town is increasing, others proposing to come, because they can have divine worship in their own language. There seems to be a prospect of much usefulness in connection with religious institutions among this people.

30. *SALISBURY.*—This church had received missionary aid for several years previous to 1847. From that period it sustained the gospel without aid; but adverse circumstances seeming to demand renewed assistance, the church has been again taken upon our list. The present laborer in this field began his work in April of last year. A fair degree of prosperity attends his labors. He regards it as "a very promising field, and believes the church will soon become self-supporting, and pay back all, and more than it has received from the Missionary Society."

31. *SHIRLEY.*—This church received the fostering care of the Society for eighteen years, when it became self-supporting, and continued so for fourteen years. Various reverses have of late seriously diminished the resources

of the people, as deaths, removals, and financial trials, till it was felt the struggle could not be carried on longer without missionary aid. From having long depended on temporary supplies, the people have at last welcomed a minister among them with a hopeful prospect of permanence. "Meetings," the pastor writes, "are well attended; the Sabbath school prosperous and interesting; vigorous exertions are being made in the temperance cause. Though there is nothing that could be called a revival, there is a great degree of harmony and good feeling in the church and society, and the congregation has considerably increased."

32. **SHUTESBURY.**—This church has borne the relation to the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society of a dependent on its bounty for thirty-five years. With much good-will has there been the bestowal of gifts, and with much patience the hope, that the church would at last reach self-support. But emigration carries away the young and enterprising to more genial climes, where industry can gain a richer reward, and the sparse population of the bleak hills has a painful struggle to sustain religious institutions. The fact that four persons have professed their faith in Christ the past year, and that the people cling to the sanctuary and the privileges they have so long enjoyed, and seem disposed to make vigorous exertion to sustain them, are indications of good.

33. **SPRINGFIELD, Indian Orchard.**—The usual means of grace have been enjoyed, during the past year, but no special religious influences have been reported. The usual trials and discouragements connected with a manufacturing population are experienced here, but the church seems to prize its religious institutions, and is willing to make zealous efforts to sustain them. The "new mill," just going into operation, will bring a large accession to the population, by which the congregation will be increased. Six or seven pews have recently been rented. "Almost daily we are receiving applications for seats. The prospect now is encouraging."

34. **STOCKBRIDGE, Curtisville.**—Rev. S. C. Brace has been with this people the last two years, and labored with great acceptance. We regret that he has felt it his duty to leave this little flock and enter another field. Notwithstanding all the religious influences which have been enjoyed for so many years here, there are numbers who forsake the house of God. "We have some fifteen or twenty men—most of them heads of families—respectable, some of them having considerable property and influence, who will not attend any church." Were the resources of this community forthcoming for the support of the gospel, as they ought to be, and as they are in many of the localities of our feeble churches, this little Zion would be no longer dependent upon help from abroad to sustain the gospel. There is ability, but those who have it, are not willing to lay it on the altar of God, and devote it to his glory. Hence its long dependence on missionary aid.

35. **TAUNTON, East.**—Our experienced and esteemed missionary remains at his post, not weary in well doing. Though no special religious influences

have been enjoyed during the year, yet some progress has been made. The present parish year is entered upon, not only free from debt, but with a few dollars in the hands of the treasurer. "Though the year has been one of anxiety and sacrifice and self-denial," says the pastor, "we have gained in moral strength, if not in numbers. With our enemies it is a foregone conclusion that we are to have Orthodox Congregational preaching here permanently, and they are becoming more and more reconciled to it. The furor and madness of Spiritualism has spent itself, and fully exposed its pantheistic worthlessness, and its most zealous advocates appear ashamed of it. Like all the other devices of Satan, it will work for the furtherance of the gospel." We have great confidence that the good seed so long and faithfully sown on this soil will yield an abundant harvest.

36. WARWICK.—The Rev. H. M. Bridge, a faithful laborer in this field, has withdrawn, and gone to another State. The little church upon these hills promptly set about procuring a successor, and speedily united in the Rev. E. H. Blanchard, who was ordained as pastor on the 25th of April last. In the diligent and faithful labors of this new pastor there is precious hope of the spiritual prosperity of this little Zion. No church on our list has made nobler sacrifices to secure gospel privileges. As they have sown abundantly of this kind of seed—the most certain of any to secure a crop—we expect to see them reap abundantly. They are a feeble few, but have learned how to take hold on divine strength; and they have, by happy experience, known the result of having done so. The Secretary was present at the ordination, gladdened in heart by the auspices of that interesting day, and joyfully believing that He whose is "the strength of the hills," will continue to care for this little flock.

37. WATERTOWN.—Though struggling under a heavy debt upon the church edifice, and under other trials incident to a new enterprise, there still has been steady and substantial progress. The year has been one of comparative quiet. There has been a good deal of activity, and all the ordinances of the gospel, and the usual meetings, have been sustained with interest. The little church mourns the loss by death and removal, of some of the most enterprising and efficient members, which increases the burden of sustaining the gospel, which was heavy before. With a large and cheerful heart the pastor refuses to be discouraged, cheering us with the language, "We shall hold on and work until better days come, trusting in our Lord."

38. WESTPORT.—This new field, where Congregationalism had never before been fairly tried, continues very promising. This new element of moral power is showing itself not to be a whit behind any other, for the recovery of waste places; indeed, it is doing better than any other ever has done here. By the liberality of a gentleman, lately deceased, a commodious parsonage has been provided, and important aid furnished for the future support of the gospel. All the usual agencies for promoting the cause of vital religion are in active operation, and with a fair measure of success. "The state of things among us," says the pastor, "has never given such

promise of permanence, or has been so hopeful as at present." Already is this little church showing a spirit of Christian liberality worthy of being followed by all churches, weak and strong. We trust this new star in our moral horizon will shine with a steady and increasing brightness, showing to all observers the value of home missionary efforts in "making the desert the garden of the Lord."

### Summary.

Though, during the past year, no general revivals have been enjoyed under the labors of these brethren, yet some of them have seen precious mercy-drops, testifying the Saviour's approval of their work; and others have been gathering in the fruits of the late great work of grace in the land, in which most of these churches shared. *Sixty-eight persons* have been added to these churches on profession of their faith. The spiritual training of these, with those already in the churches, amounting in all to *eighteen hundred and seventy-four*, has been an important part of missionary work during the year.

The children and youth of their congregations have not been forgotten. Flourishing and efficient Sabbath schools exist in all of them, numbering *twenty-five hundred and seventy-eight* pupils.

Neither have they been unmindful to stir up their flocks to benevolent contributions, and from these feeble churches and congregations \$1,549 56 have been cast, this year, into the Lord's treasury, \$531 of which have been given to Home Missions.

These servants of God address gospel warnings and consolations to congregations varying from fifty to two hundred and fifty persons, making in the aggregate *thirty-seven hundred and ninety* souls.

Three churches have assumed their own support the past year. Aid has been extended to *nine* churches not on our list last year, making the number dependent on this Society for the coming year, thirty-six.

### Demands of Home Missions upon Massachusetts Christians.

Whatever may be said of the obligations of other States to this great enterprise, it is certain that a high responsibility is ours,—because :

1. We do but catch the spirit of the noble founders of the Commonwealth in our zeal and labors for Home Missions. As fast as the progress of emigration, and the natural increase of the population swept away the wilderness, and towns and villages began to beautify these eastern coasts; so fast did the missionary spirit of our fathers impel them to establish the church of God and provide and maintain the institutions of the gospel, in the growing settlements. While the

Mayhews on Martha's Vineyard, and Bourne among the Marshpee Indians, and John Eliot at Natick, gave themselves to the work of evangelizing the heathen, the appeals in behalf of feeble churches and waste places among the colonists themselves never failed to meet a warm response. An application from Virginia in 1642, entreating a supply of faithful ministers, was responded to by sending three, chosen from among the best men of the colony, to that then distant region. Those men did Home Missionary work there, with all earnestness, till ecclesiastical bigotry and opposition compelled them to return to New England. The colonial government in Boston zealously took up the work of aiding feeble churches. "In the archives of this State are now to be found not less than fifty formal applications from feeble parishes, presented to the General Court between the years 1693 and 1711, and the record of as many appropriations for their relief from the public treasury, amounting in all to about four thousand five hundred dollars."

How large the debt we owe to the Home Missionary spirit of our noble ancestors! But for their zeal and energy, how many waste places would have been unreclaimed; and what moral desolations would have disfigured our Zion, where now blooms the rose of Sharon, and where now trees of righteousness are found, and plants of renown. And we, in our day, do but enter into the pious spirit of our honored Fathers, when we would build the old wastes.

2. The social ties that bind us to so many on the Western field press us on in this work. The energy and enterprise, so prominently distinguishing New England character, have been strikingly displayed in the emigration of vast numbers to new homes toward the setting sun. A far more fertile soil, and new and exciting scenes, have proved powerful allurements, and now the sons and daughters of Massachusetts are scattered over every State and Territory, all the way to the shores of the Pacific. But they have not broken the ties of sympathy and affection, if they have broken away from their early homes. And that sympathy follows them as, in their dispersions, they are carried away from those religious privileges and sacred influences which blessed them in their early homes. We cannot but have a parental interest in them, and cannot but express it, by furnishing for the needy and destitute those most valuable tokens of our regard, the institutions of the gospel. And we are the more readily and heartily to do this, in that, carrying with them, as these voluntary exiles do, the peculiar energy of New England people, they are sure to exert the most powerful influence in moulding the character of the various communities where they find their homes. We cannot confer a richer blessing on the West than by reproducing, by the gospel, New England energy of Christian character, and by build-



ing up such religious communities as have been, and now are, the glory and beauty of the land of the Pilgrims.

3. The Home Missionary spirit is in keeping with those large views of human welfare which have always marked New England men. A noble stand has been taken, from the days of our Fathers, on the side of every thing that lifts human beings up from degradation, and which bestows the highest excellence of character. Civil freedom, education, wise laws, benevolent institutions of every kind—all these have been generated and sustained by New England energy, and money, and counsel, and none have gone before her in this regard. The precious institutions of the gospel have begotten this spirit in New England minds. And wherever we can send it, freedom and education and law and benevolent institutions, all rise and vigorously thrive. Accustomed to great enterprises, promoting the best interests of man, we act in harmony with our own antecedents when we press forward the work of our country's evangelization. The universal triumph of Christian truth is synonymous with all that can elevate and beautify individual character, and ennoble a nation.

4. Moreover, the friends of Zion in Massachusetts are ardent lovers and friends of that Union by which this great family of nations has been so long, and so happily bound together. The only sure basis of substantial and permanent union must be intelligence, and moral and religious principle, and the bond that binds the nation together will be strong just in proportion to the power of the religious sentiment in the hearts of the people. Men are united, and communities become one, in the noblest sense, only when they are united in the love and service of God. Christian bonds are those which are formed by the strongest religious emotions of the heart; and the holy love which truth, and the Spirit of God generates, is the foundation of them all.

Let evangelical truth penetrate and pervade the minds of the millions of the land—let gospel principles sway the hearts and wills of this great people, and national discord and alienation are impossible. All the elements of strife and hostility would be dissolved in the fervent heat of holy love. Judah cannot vex Ephraim, nor Ephraim envy Judah. Never can the banner of national Union be torn to shreds and trampled under foot, while "truth springs out of the ground and righteousness looks down from heaven." All our Home Missionary Enterprises have this one grand object in view,—the bringing the minds of our countrymen, from sea to sea, under the enlightening and sanctifying power of religious truth. And New England men can do nothing so effectively to make one mind and one heart prevail in the nation, as by laboring to bring it under the power of the glorious gospel of the blessed God.

5. The success which God has granted to the Home Missionary Enterprise urges us forward in it. Great good was accomplished, in the State and out of it, for the thirty years of the early history of the Massachusetts Missionary Society, and previous to its connection with the National Society. During the first fifteen years, its missionaries preached the gospel over a large portion of northern New York—over every part of the province of Maine—in parts of New Hampshire, Vermont, Rhode Island, Pennsylvania and Tennessee; also on the borders of the Canadas—in Nova Scotia, and even at New Orleans; while at least five of the Indian tribes shared in their labors. There was a slow, but steady growth of the spirit of missionary enterprise, till the union of the Massachusetts Domestic Missionary Society with the American Home Missionary Society in 1827.

A wider field now opened before the friends of missions, and a new impulse was given to the work. The broad regions of the West came more prominently into view, and its moral wastes and wants began to be more fully known and more deeply felt. And the manner in which these claims were met, shows the stronger and stronger hold this good cause was taking upon the hearts of the friends of Zion. The first year of the union, 1828, Massachusetts gave \$5,689; the tenth year onward, 1838, the sum was \$16,265; and a tenth year still further on, 1848, it was \$31,897; and a tenth year still beyond, 1858, it was \$47,157.

From the organization of the Society, 1799, the income has been as follows:

The first ten years, 1799 to 1809, . . . . .	\$ 23,959
“ second “ 1809 to 1819, . . . . .	37,051
“ third “ 1819 to 1829, . . . . .	59,973
“ fourth “ 1829 to 1839, . . . . .	170,506
“ fifth “ 1839 to 1849, . . . . .	300,001
“ sixth “ 1849 to 1859, . . . . .	447,173

Our churches, for the ten years ending with 1859, have paid, in the average, \$44,717 per year. And this large amount has been gathered, not so much from the coffers of the rich, as from the resources of those in moderate circumstances, and even from the poor. This steady and constant progress we count a great success in the history of Home Missions. It shows that Christian benevolence has been gaining, constantly, a deeper hold upon the hearts of the friends of Zion, and that the larger views they had been taking of the importance of the work, has been leading them the more freely to give. During the last ten years, \$50,846 have been expended in nourishing the feeble churches in our own State, and during that period we have seen eighteen of them relinquish their dependence upon missionary aid, and become self-supporting.

And, looking out from our own field, and considering what has been done for other parts of our land, we find that during the last ten years \$504,973 have been sent from this State to the Parent Society at New York, and by it has been employed in supplying the wants of the Western field. We have thus enjoyed the honor and privilege of following the emigrants from our homes in their dispersions, and carrying to them those precious Christian privileges, of which such multitudes of them would have been deprived, had we not afforded our aid; while vast numbers also have been reached by these means of grace, who have been gathered from many different nations to find their abodes in the great Western Valley.

We cannot but indulge in pleasant thoughts concerning the good accomplished by these gifts of the benevolent; the forming of Christian churches where none had ever before existed; the thousand feeble churches which have been nourished and strengthened till they have come to independence; the able and faithful ministers sustained in preaching the everlasting gospel; the many frightful moral wastes which have been reclaimed and have now "the smell of a field which the Lord has blest;" the Sabbath schools which have been organized, by which hundreds of thousands of children have been taught the way of life; the vast numbers of the people of God who have been enlightened, comforted and carried on in the divine life; the immense regions which have had that moral and religious influence spread over them, by which vice and crime have been held in check, and by which all the moral virtues have been nourished and developed, and by which great numbers of pilgrims to the eternal world have been brought to the saving knowledge of Christ; multitudes of whom have already gone home to heaven, while an exceeding great army of them are yet on earth, in active service under the banners of the Captain of salvation.

Such considerations as these lift up a loud and animating voice to the friends of Home Missions in our Commonwealth, and bid us not faint in our work, but press it onward, with all vigor and earnestness. Past success is full of encouragement—bright is the future to our faith and hope.

#### **Delinquency of Churches in this Work.**

While we can joyfully say we believe there is no State where the pastors, as a body, and the churches taken together, enter more heartily into the Home Missionary Enterprise, yet it will surprise many to be informed that one-third of the Congregational churches in this State failed to contribute to this cause during the missionary year closing May 15. We assume, of course, that the churches which have given, are those which are the most prompt and able;

and that not as much, in proportion to their numbers, would have been given by the rest, had they made their offerings. But we cannot but think, had each of these delinquent churches come to our help, what a noble addition would have been made to our resources, and how many suffering churches and ministers might have had timely and most grateful relief. Have there not been as many and powerful obligations pressing upon these delinquents, as upon their prompt and faithful sister churches? Should one class fulfill this obligation, and the other feel willing to be excused?

It may well be asked, Have those revivals of religion, which brought such spiritual blessings to the State, brought forth as much fruit, as was reasonably to be expected, in the cause of Christian benevolence? The additions to the churches in 1858 exceeded those of the preceding year by 6,814 persons, most of whom, we may suppose, were converts in the revival. Should not such an accession of the newly consecrated servants of God, have brought, as a natural result of the freshness of this new-born hope and love, a noticeable increase of receipts of a benevolent institution, so well known, and having such claims as that of the Home Missionary Society; and should so large a number of churches have failed of liberal thank-offerings for God's reviving grace?

### The Whole Field.

It is suited to exalt our views of the wisdom and judgment of the worthy men who were the early founders of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, that they sent their thoughts forth through the whole extent of the land, and prayed, and planned, and contributed for the spread of the gospel over its whole extent. The earliest missionaries of this Society labored chiefly beyond the limits of the State; not in adjoining New England States only, but in the Western States, while one of its missionaries carried his labors of love as far as New Orleans. Indeed, "the heathen," meaning the native Indians, were expressly named, as well as others in destitute places, by the founders of the Society, as coming within the scope of its labors.

There was thus a noble spirit of expanded benevolence in the bosoms of the early friends of this Society, and they willed that their offerings should have no regard for State lines, but that, leaping over all such boundaries, they should be applied to supply the spiritual wants of men in the remotest parts of the land. And worthy of special honor is this spirit, in that these benevolent men could not but know there were painful cases of moral destitution in their own vicinity, calling loudly for relief. Still, it was their decision that the cry of want and woe, coming from regions hundreds or thousands of

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miles away, should not be disregarded. While they would not neglect, and did not, the needy at their doors, they would not expend all their sympathy there, but would pity and relieve the perishing far away.

It is believed that a similar spirit actuates the great body of the friends of Home Missions in our communities now. They look upon the whole land as a grand theatre of the operations of the Word and Spirit of God. The country, and the whole country, from sea to sea, looms up before them as a vast scene on which the final battle is to be fought between truth and error—between the kingdom of Light and the kingdom of Darkness. The conflict is already in progress, and will be maintained with increasing earnestness, till one or the other of the parties triumphs.

Now it is of the highest consequence in a skillfully managed military enterprise, to get possession of commanding points—to seize here or there an eminence—for one or another is the key of the whole field; and he who has and maintains it, has, by all odds, the probability of victory. So in that mighty spiritual enterprise in which we are engaged, it is the wisest policy to bestow special attention upon those portions of the field which stand in positions of marked influence over the rest. Among the vast number of localities, where the gospel is greatly needed, there are those which, for the special reason just mentioned, attract the deeper attention of the Christian philanthropist, and decide him to put forth his strongest efforts there.

There are some regions of our country which, by reason of their distinguished fertility of soil, their abounding mineral deposits, or their peculiar facilities for trade or manufactures, invite enterprise by speedily and abundantly repaying it, and which swiftly accumulate all the elements of power. The sparse population, and sterile soil, and dwarfed enterprise of other regions, are not known here. All is life, energy, progress, expansion.

Moreover, these communities are rapidly forming and fixing their moral character—plastic and impressible now, but soon to be beyond the reach of healthful spiritual impressions. What is ever done, to any purpose, must be done quickly, and what is at once done has the surest promise of accomplishing good that finite minds cannot measure. We feel constrained to hasten and take possession of these important posts on the great battle-field, even though there should be a seeming, or even real neglect of less commanding positions elsewhere. Their early and timely occupation will save vast labor and expense, sure to attend subsequent efforts to possess them, while they afford vantage-ground of untold value for the successful carrying on of the war against the kingdom of darkness.

It is with such impressions as these, that our large-hearted donors to

Home Missions have fixed their eyes on the immense Western field. They see that the power of the nation must mainly concentrate there, and from thence there must go forth influences, which will control national character and destiny. And they see that, too early, we cannot hasten to occupy these regions with gospel institutions—too soon we cannot acquire and exert the moral power that shall mould these rising communities, so that they shall possess that “righteousness that exalteth a nation.” Hence great numbers of donors direct specially and emphatically, that their whole offerings shall be expended at the West, and others desire and expect that the larger portion of theirs shall take the same direction.

And it is not too much to ask of our own feeble churches, that they should content themselves with the smallest possible allowance, so that more important fields may be the more surely and strongly occupied. There is a noble magnanimity in such dependent churches which, by the strictest economy in the supply of their own wants, thus join in the great work of rapidly evangelizing those regions whose moral power is so soon to be felt by the whole nation.

But, at the same time, we do not overlook the fact, that the streams will be cut off if the fountains fail. We mean, therefore, to suffer no portion of our own State to be unblessed with gospel privileges, where there opens fair prospect of success. Accordingly, *nine new fields* have been occupied the past year. “Beginning at Jerusalem,” we do not expect to leave it. We linger about every feeble church, with our sympathies and aid, so long as sound discretion and sober judgment say to us, “There is hope.”

#### The American Home Missionary Society.

Our relation to that noble institution makes proper a passing allusion to it, while our joy in its character and success gives us much pleasure in making that allusion. Amid many trials, as the unreasonable alienation of old supporters, and the coldness of many former friends—the earnest, and not unsuccessful efforts to bring it into discredit, for alleged want of wisdom and impartiality—the consequent withdrawal of large sums, formerly going through its treasury, but now diverted to denominational ends—amid, and in spite of all these trials, the Parent Society has gone straight on its way, and done a noble work the past year. It has given wise and judicious answers to its accusers, but has not come down from its great and appropriate work, to spend its strength in strife.

It has been sorely tried, also, in seeing so many of its faithful and beloved missionaries suffer in consequence of those painful providences

and consequent financial trials, which have been so disastrous, especially in the Western field. But, as the Society has been able, it has hastened to the help of the suffering, calling, and not in vain, upon its supporters for aid.

The number of missionaries employed the past year, exceeds that of the former year by fifty-three, and of any preceding year, by thirty-nine; and this increase has been almost wholly in the Western field. Fifty more congregations have enjoyed gospel privileges, than during the former year, and twenty-nine hundred more children have been instructed in Sabbath schools, making now an aggregate of 72,200 scholars in the Mission Churches. This good work has been carried on in twenty-two States and Territories. Eleven hundred and seven ministers of the gospel have been in its employ, sixty-seven churches have been organized, and twenty-eight have become self-sustaining during the year. Three thousand, five hundred and eighty-one persons have professed their faith in Christ.

In view of all these facts, we cannot but rejoice that this, the **Masachusetts Auxiliary**, and the churches we represent, are permitted to sustain the relation we do to so noble an institution, and are happy to pledge, most heartily, our sympathy in all its trials, and our support in all its labors of love, concurring in the closing and eloquent language of its last Report: "We see the finger of God pointing us to our unfinished task, and we believe that, with his aid, **IT CAN BE DONE**. We hear the voice of our neighbor summoning us to his help. It comes to us from many a hill and valley in the East, where the ancient altar is falling to decay. It comes from hundreds of settlements scattered over the nearer West, where no public altar has yet been reared. It comes from the shores of Lake Superior, and the plains that stretch toward the Red River of the North. It comes from the gold fields of the Rocky Mountains, and the silver placers of Western Utah. It comes from the newly trodden prairies of Central Oregon, and the dark forests that fringe the waters of Puget Sound. It comes echoed from the throne of Him whose servants we are, and whose commission we bear. This is his purchased domain, and through our labors, with his blessing, it shall all, ere long, be subdued to his sway. 'His dominion shall be from sea even to sea.' With confidence and joy, therefore, we turn to our work. We watch not the clouds that darken the horizon, but only the bow that spans them. We listen to no voices of discouragement or fear, but only to the words of that promise, which no man disannulleth, and which never fails: 'HE THAT GOETH FORTH AND WEEPETH, BEARING PRECIOUS SEED, SHALL DOUBTLESS COME AGAIN WITH REJOICING, BRINGING HIS SHEAVES WITH HIM!'"

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr. The Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in account with Benjamin Perkins, Treasurer. Cr.

To cash paid Missionaries the past year, . . .	\$ 5,402 52	By balance last year, . . .	\$ 1,887 20
" American Home Missionary Society, . . .	25,000 00	" Contributions and Legacies, . . .	31,444 67
" Proportion of salaries, traveling, and incidental expenses, . . .	1,101 52	" Interest on Fund, . . .	752 80
" A. B. C. F. M., income of Osborne Fund, . . .	77 00	" Interest on Osborne Fund, . . .	77 00
" Invested on account of Legacy, . . .	500 00		
Balance to new account, . . .	2,080 63		
	<u>\$ 34,161 67</u>		<u>\$ 34,161 67</u>

Boston, May 15, 1860.

BENJAMIN PERKINS, TREASURER.

Boston, May 25, 1860.—I have examined the above account of the Treasurer of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, and find the same correctly cast and properly vouched.

CHARLES SCUDDER, AUDITOR.



## DONATIONS,

From May 15, 1859, to May 15, 1860.

<i>Amherst</i> , 1st parish, Gent. and Ladies' Benev. Assoc.	\$ 101 33
<i>South</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Allen P. Merrick L. M. Am. H. M. S.	30 00
<i>Attleboro'</i> , Fem. Benev. Soc. to const. Mrs. Sophia Bliss L. M. Am. H. M. S.	43 66
Ladies' Miss. Sew. Circle,	16 00
<i>West</i> , Cong. Soc.	19 39
<i>Ashby</i> , Ladies' Cent. Soc.	25 00
<i>Athol</i> , Rev. Mr. Norton's Soc. \$18 17; do. to const. J. Sumner Parmenter	
L. M. \$32 25;	50 42
Cong. Soc. in full, to const. Mrs. Susan Haven L. M.	4 66
Chestnut Hill Sew. Circle,	10 50
<i>Abington</i> , Legacy of Mrs. Mehitable Hunt, by Joseph Cleverly, Ex'r,	2,000 00
<i>South</i> , Cong. Soc.	20 15
<i>Centre</i> , Cong. Soc.	57 12
<i>Auburndale</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. \$232 22; \$238 56;	440 78
A friend,	1 00
<i>Amesbury and Salisbury</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	30 00
To const. Mrs. Elizabeth Raymond L. M.	30 00
<i>Amesbury</i> , A friend, by Rev. T. Laurie,	6 00
<i>West</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	127 06
<i>Andover</i> , <i>North</i> , S. H. Parker,	50
<i>South</i> , Ch. and Parish, \$41; Anonymous, \$4;	45 00
<i>North</i> , Trin. Cong. Soc. to const. George L. Davis L. M. Am. H. M. S.	30 00
<i>South</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	172 00
Do. mon. conc. \$27; Anonymous, \$4;	31 00
Mon. conc. \$8; Anonymous, \$1;	9 00
Do. \$23; do. \$1;	24 00
<i>West Parish</i> Cong. Soc. \$102 29; mon. conc. \$11 17; to const. William	
Abbott, Charles Shattuck, and Perry M. Jefferson, L. M.	113 46
Legacy of Leonard Woods, D. D., dec'd,	100 00
<i>Auburn</i> , Legacy of Esther Stone, \$25; Cong. Soc. coll. \$11;	36 00
<i>Adams</i> , Gardiner White, \$1; do. \$1; do. \$1;	3 00
<i>Ashburnham</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	46 00
<i>Assabet</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	24 00
<i>Boston</i> , Legacy of Josiah Bumstead,	300 00
E. F. L.	5 00
A friend, \$19; \$5; G. Edmonds, \$5; a friend, \$10;	30 00
Widow's mite,	3 00
<i>Old South</i> Ch. and Soc. ann. coll.	1,100 00
<i>Phillips</i> Ch. and Soc. mon. conc.	29 69
<i>Shawmut</i> Ch. and Soc.	657 62
<i>Bowdoin</i> St. do.	552 00
<i>Central</i> do.	268 01
<i>Park</i> St. do.	991 95
<i>Salem</i> do.	66 66
<i>Maverick</i> do.	65 00
<i>Mt. Vernon</i> do.	824 24
<i>Essex</i> St. do.	991 25
<i>Braintree</i> , Ladies' H. M. S. in Rev. Dr. Storr's Ch. to const. Mrs. Harriet	
Perry and Mrs. John A. Wild L. M. Am. H. M. S.	78 11
Dr. Storr's Soc. quarterly coll. \$22; \$22; \$18;	62 00
Dr. Storr's Soc.	55 00
<i>Braintree and Weymouth</i> , Union Ch. and Soc.	21 81
<i>Beverly</i> , A friend,	7 50
Washington St. Soc. to cons. Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Briant L. M.	
Am. H. M. S.	85 00
<i>Brookfield</i> Assn.—S. M. Lane, Treas. viz: Charlton, Cong. Ch. \$20 58;	
Brimfield Benev. Soc. \$55 13; Dana, Ch. and Soc. \$17; Hardwick,	
do. \$62 35; Holland, do. \$16 80; New Braintree, do. to const. Rev.	
J. H. Gurney L. M. Am. H. M. S. \$45; Oakham, do. contribution at	
communion, \$33; Benev. Soc. \$10; contribution at meeting of Confer-	
ence, \$5 37;	265 23

<i>Brookfield</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	\$ 45 89
<i>Bedford</i> , Trin. Cong. Soc. mon. conc.	24 15
Do. to const. Lewis P. Gleason, L. M.	43 00
<i>Brookline</i> , Harvard Ch. and Soc.	210 92
<i>Berkshire and Columbia H. M. Soc.</i> —E. A. Bliss, \$200; \$65 82,	265 82
Do. do. to const. Mrs. Jason Clapp, Miss Eliza Taylor, and Thomas	
Colt L. M. Am. H. M. S.	239 75
<i>Boylston</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	19 25
<i>Boxboro'</i> , Cong. Soc.	11 00
<i>Belchertown</i> , Benev. Soc.	20 00
<i>Bradford</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Rev. J. McCollom, Jane Kimball,	
George S. Collins, and Carver F. Ordway L. M.	127 89
<i>Bridgewater</i> , Trin. Cong. Soc.	13 00
North, Porter Cong. Soc.	38 16
<i>Ballardvale</i> , Cong. Soc. to const. Henry M. Greene L. M.	30 00
<i>Brighton</i> , A few individuals,	15 00
<i>Billerica</i> , Cong. Soc. \$35; Rev. Mr. Stearns, \$10;	45 00
<i>Chesterfield</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	10 00
<i>Chatham</i> , Ladies' Benev. Soc. to const. Mrs. Anna Kendrick L. M.	30 00
<i>Chelsea</i> , Mrs. M. J. Chittenden,	1 00
Winnisimmet Ch. and Soc.	68 80
North, Ch. and Soc.	15 20
<i>Clinton</i> , 1st Evan. Ch. and Soc.	62 34
<i>Chicopee</i> , 3d Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Rev. L. H. Cone L. M.	44 37
<i>Charlestown</i> , Winthrop Ch. and Soc.	264 82
<i>Cambridge</i> , Shepard Ch. coll. \$125; mon. conc. \$57 10; bal. of contribution	
last year, \$5;	187 10
<i>Centreville</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	14 60
<i>Cohasset</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	13 41
<i>Carlisle</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	13 00
<i>Canton</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. \$15; \$8 50;	23 50
<i>Curtisville</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	22 03
<i>Campello</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	30 13
<i>Dorchester</i> , Ladies' Home Miss. Soc.	146 00
2d Ch. \$40 of wh. from Mr. T. D. Quincy to const. him L. M.	219 03
Neponset H. M. Circle,	40 00
<i>Dracut</i> , Central Ch.	5 00
<i>Dunstable</i> , Orthodox Cong. Soc.	8 25
William Dunn,	5 00
<i>Dartmouth, South</i> , Cong. Soc.	22 00
<i>Dedham</i> , Female Home Miss. Soc. Dr. Burgess's Soc.	48 00
Mrs. A. B. Burgess,	50 00
<i>Dover</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	11 57
<i>Deerfield, South</i> , 1st Cong. Ch. and Soc.	30 00
<i>Douglas, Centre</i> , Cong. Ch.	3 05
East, Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Mrs. C. A. Rogers L. M.	88 68
<i>Essex North Aux. Soc.</i> —J. Caldwell, Tr. : Conference of churches, \$15 10;	
Byfield, Rev. Mr. Brooks's Soc. \$63 50;	78 60
Newburyport, Rev. Dr. Dimmick's Soc. \$39 75; West Newbury, 2d	
parish, to const. George W. Carr L. M. \$30 37; a friend, \$5; Salisbury, a friend, \$4;	79 12
<i>Franklin Co. H. M. Soc.</i> —S. S. Eastman, Tr. viz. : Gill, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	
\$10; Shelburne, Legacy of Sarah B. Forbush, \$100;	110 00
Shelburne, Gent. Asso. \$39 65; Ladies' do. \$25 90, to const. Mrs. D.	
Smead, L. M.; Ashfield, Ladies' Asso. \$5 58; Gent. do. \$6 52;	
Conway, Cong. Ch. and Soc. \$128 44; Rev. G. M. Adams, \$30, to	
const. G. B. Manly L. M.; Charlemon, Cong. Soc. \$12; Deerfield,	
Monument Soc. to const. Ira Billings L. M. \$30; Sunderland, Cong.	
Soc. \$11 70; Colerain, do. \$8 60; Bernardston, Orthodox Soc. \$20 44;	309 83
Northfield, Trin. Soc. \$11 57; Warwick, Trin. Soc. \$24; East Charle-	
mon, to const. Levi Smith L. M. \$30; Greenfield, 1st Cong. Ch. to	
const. Frederick G. Smith L. M. \$37; Deerfield, Orthodox Soc. \$15;	
less expenses, \$23;	89 57
<i>Franklin Co. H. M. Soc.</i> —Montague, Cong. Ch. to cons. Charles M. Gunn	
L. M. \$47 44; Greenfield, 1st Cong. Soc. to cons. William M. Nims	
L. M. \$37 06; Conway, Benev. Soc. to cons. Asa Howland L. M.	
Am. H. M. S. \$50; Gill, Evan. Soc. \$6 52; Buckland, \$27 37; Green-	
field, 2d Ch. to cons. Sylvester Maxwell and Charles J. J. Ingersoll	
L. M. \$78 70;	247 06

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Religious Char. Soc. to const. Josiah Spaulding, John Lowe, Miss A. S. Stone, Mrs. Rodney Wallace, and Miss Emily Sawtell, L. M.	234 65
Mrs. Reuben Briggs,	6 00
Ladies' Home Miss. Soc. to const. Mrs. Eunice Haskell L. M.	55 00
<i>Fall River</i> , Central Cong. Ch. and Soc. including \$100 from N. Durfee, M. D. to const. S. Angier Chase L. D.; \$120 from Richard Borden to const. Caroline Borden, Thomas J. Borden, Richard B. Borden, and Edward P. Borden L. M.; \$30 by Mrs. E. A. Fish to const. G. H. Fish L. M.;	\$624 00
<i>Framingham</i> , Hollis Evan. Soc. to const. Mrs. Martin Mayhew, Mrs. B. F. Willson, and Miss P. R. Eaton L. M.	110 00
<i>Falmouth</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. 55; a friend to const. Miss E. D. Robinson L. M. \$30;	8500
1st Cong. Soc. bal.	20 00
<i>North</i> , Cong. Soc.	14 00
<i>Foxboro</i> , Orthodox Cong. Soc. coll. \$76 41; mon. conc. \$5 68; to const. Mrs. S. A. Alden and Daniels Carpenter L. M.	82 09
<i>Fairhaven</i> , 1st Cong. Ch. and Soc.	56 00
<i>Falmouth</i> , East, Benj. Hatch,	5 00
<i>North</i> , A friend, to cons. Rev. Levi Wheaton L. M.	30 00
<i>Franklin</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	31 60
<i>Greenwich</i> , Cong. Ch. Ladies, to cons. Mrs. R. Cleveland L. M.	35 08
<i>General Association</i> , Meeting at Pittsfield,	25 00
<i>Georgetown</i> , Rev. Mr. Beecher's Soc.	38 80
<i>Grafton</i> , Evan. Ch. and Soc. to cons. Mrs. Susan Jourdan and Mrs. Nancy Winn L. M.	80 00
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<i>Holden</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	19 37
<i>Hampden Co. H. M. Soc.</i> —H. Brewer, Tr.: \$30 of wh. from Ladies' Sewing Soc. West Springfield, to cons. Miss Lucinda Day L. M. Am. H. M. S.	300 00
Do. including contrib. from West Springfield, to cons. Edward Parsons L. M. Am. H. M. S.; do. from 1st Ch. Springfield, to cons. Mrs. Jerusha Bates and Miss Lucy A. Hatfield L. M.	500 00
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Ladies' Sew. Circle, Monson, to const. Mrs. E. C. Flynt and Mrs. H. Dewey L. M. Am. H. M. S.	60 00
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<i>Haverhill</i> , Centre Cong. Ch. and Soc. to const. Moses Ball, Moses W. Putnam, Moses Marsh and David Emery L. M.	128 50
Centre Cong. Ch. and Soc. L. Johnson's S. S. Class,	2 06
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<i>Hanson</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	5 00
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Cong. Soc. mon. conc.	17 00
<i>Middleboro</i> , Central Cong. Ch. and Soc.	63 14
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<i>Medford</i> , Mystic Ch. and Soc.	58 47
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<i>Malden</i> , Sab. School in Trin. Cong. Soc. to cons. Rev. C. E. Reed L. M.	30 00
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<i>Marlboro'</i> , Union Cong. Soc. \$35; Ladies' Benev. Soc. \$10;	45 00
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<i>Corner</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. to cons. John Ashton, Ezra C. Hutchins, William Wiswall, 2d, and Chas. Ellis L. M.	77 76
<i>Centre</i> , 1st Cong. Soc. \$148 31; Ladies' H. M. Soc. \$40;	188 31
<i>Northboro'</i> , Legacy of Mrs. Abby A. Fisk,	10 00
A. W. Seaver, Ex'r, on account of legacy of Mrs. Anna McFarland,	475 00
<i>Newburyport</i> , Rev. Dr. Dimmick's Soc. \$54 04; a friend, \$5;	59 04
A lady in Dr. Dimmick's Ch. \$5; Self-denial, \$2;	7 00
Ladies' Indiana Soc.	13 00
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Female Home Miss. Soc. to const. Mrs. Joseph S. Pike, Mrs. Harriet Cook, and Mrs. E. P. Cross L. M. Am. H. M. S.	53 27
Thank-offering from a lady,	12 60
Rev. Mr. Fisk's Soc. to const. William C. Todd, Eben Hale, George D. Fisk, Charlotte Mace, Mary A. Colby, and Martha Varnum L. M. Am. H. M. S.	235 54
Ladies' Gleaning Circle,	10 00
<i>Newbury</i> , 1st Ch. and Ladies to const. Rev. J. R. Thurston, and Mrs. Frances G. Thurston L. M.	60 00
<i>New Bedford</i> , North Cong. Soc. \$51; \$84 58;	135 58
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<i>Provincetown</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	18 61
<i>Philadelphia</i> , A friend in aid of Congregational churches at the West,	200 00
<i>Quincy</i> , Mrs. Lucy Marah,	5 00

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Ladies' Sew. Circle,	31 00
<i>Rockport</i> , Miss. Sew. Circle to const. Mrs. Ellen H. Burt L. M.	30 00
<i>Randolph</i> , 1st Cong. Ch. and Soc.	35 25
<i>Reading</i> , Old South Ch. and Soc.	70 06
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Evan. Society,	22 73
<i>Spencer</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. \$133 60; \$145;	278 60
<i>Sudbury</i> , Ladies' Home Miss. Soc. to const. Mrs. Erastus Dickinson L. M.	30 00
<i>Shelburne Falls</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. \$26 58; \$40;	66 58
<i>Salem</i> , Individuals in the South Ch. and Soc.	39 00
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West, Fem. Benev. Soc. \$13 20; Cong. Soc. \$10;	23 20
Rev. Mr. Cushing's Soc.	4 13
<i>Templeton</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. \$28; \$13;	41 00
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<i>Westford</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	30 76
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<i>Ware</i> , Miss Hannah Ruggles, \$3; \$5;	8 00
1st Cong. Ch. and Soc.	28 37
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<i>Wayland</i> , Cong. Soc.	9 60
<i>Weymouth</i> , North, Pilgrim Ch. and Soc. to const. Rev. Samuel L. Rockwood L. M.	30 00
1st Ch. and Soc.	97 00
South, Fem. Praying Circle in Rev. Mr. Terry's Ch.	15 10
<i>Winchester</i> , 1st Ch. and Soc. to const. Robert Cowdery, Mrs. Adeline W. Cutter, Warren Johnson, John R. Cobb, and Lemuel Holton L. M.	160 43
<i>Wauquoit</i> , Zenas Fwer, \$2 50; Cong. Soc. \$4;	6 50
<i>Winchendon</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc.	64 70
<i>Worcester</i> , 1st Ch. and Soc.	63 86
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<i>Weston</i> , Mrs. M. A. H. Bigelow to const. Edwin W. Baxter L. M. Am. H. M. S.	30 00
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Cong. Soc.	5 00
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<i>Woburn</i> , Cong. Ch. and Soc. \$273 03; a lady in do. \$60;	333 03
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<i>West Brookfield</i> , 1st Cong. Soc. to const. Rev. C. M. Cordley and Miss Jerusha Gilbert L. M.	65 20

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<i>Weathersfield</i> , Vt. Isaac Brown, \$5; \$5;	10 00
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<i>Walpole</i> , N. H. Simeon N. Perry, \$100; \$100;	200 00
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<i>Westboro'</i> , Evan. Ch. and Soc. \$78 13; mon. conc. \$16 83;	95 56
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## RULES, REGULATIONS AND BY-LAWS

### OF THE

## MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

"As the object of the Society is to diffuse the knowledge of the Gospel of Jesus Christ among the heathen and others in destitute places," they therefore agree to adopt the following Rules, &c.

ARTICLE I. The Officers of the Society shall be a President, Vice President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and twenty Trustees, chosen annually by ballot.

II. It shall be the duty of the President to regulate the meetings of the

Society, and, *ex officio*, to act as one of the Board of Trustees; seven of whom shall constitute a quorum for business, at any meeting regularly convened.

III. The Trustees shall, immediately after each Annual Meeting of the Society, appoint an Executive Committee of seven, (including the Secretary and Treasurer,) residing in Boston and its vicinity; four of whom shall be a quorum at any regular meeting. This Committee shall have power to appoint its own meetings, form its own rules of business, fill any vacancy in its own number which may occur during the year, and convene special meetings of the Trustees or Society: they shall examine and appoint Missionaries, and direct them as to their labors;—it being understood that none shall be employed as Missionaries, except those who exhibit credible evidence of experimental piety, and of that Christian zeal, wisdom, information and diligence, which are adequate to the arduous work of Evangelists, in the most self-denying circumstances. This Committee shall also manage and dispose of the Society's property, and transact all the concerns of the Society, not otherwise assigned; and shall make report, at each Annual Meeting, of the labor and success of the Missionaries, and exhibit a particular account of their own transactions.

IV. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to conduct the correspondence of the Society, keep an accurate record of its proceedings, and exhibit them whenever required.

V. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and hold the property of the Society, to answer the orders of the Executive Committee, and to make a report at every Annual Meeting of the Society. He shall also give bonds, from time to time, to such amount as the Executive Committee shall think proper.

VI. Any person may become a Member of this Society by paying two dollars to the Treasurer for the use of the Society; and shall be considered as retaining his membership and obliged to pay two dollars annually, until his desire to discontinue his connection with the Society be expressed to the Treasurer. Any person may become a Life Member of this Society by paying into the treasury thirty dollars at one time.

VII. The Society shall meet at Boston, to transact their annual business, on the Tuesday preceding the last Wednesday in May of each year, at ten o'clock, A. M.

A public meeting shall also be held annually in the same city, on the evening of the same day; to be conducted in such manner as the Executive Committee shall direct; and an annual sermon shall be preached at the time and place of the meeting of the General Association of Massachusetts, by some person appointed by said Association, and a collection taken in aid of the funds of the Society. An annual delegation may be sent to the General Association of Massachusetts, on such terms as may be agreed upon by the two bodies.

VIII. These Rules and Regulations shall be subject to any amendments and improvements which this Society shall think proper to adopt; but no amendments shall be adopted, except by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at an annual meeting; nor unless the same shall have been recommended by the Executive Committee.

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The policy and general principles of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society may be summarily stated thus:

1. To assist feeble churches and societies in sustaining their ministers.
2. To give only such aid as will meet the deficiency after they have paid at least *one per cent.* of their taxable property.
3. In no case to grant over \$200 per annum to the same missionary flock.
4. To afford help only to such as, by reason of *distance*, cannot go to other churches of their own order.
5. To pledge no sum of money for a longer period than one year.
6. To require of each missionary a statistical report of his field annually; and quarterly reports if he desires quarterly payments.
7. To require feeble churches to fulfill their engagements with their pastors each year before they renew their application for aid.

In applying these general rules, which, of course, must be modified somewhat to meet all conceivable cases, the Committee usually give the strongest encouragement to such parishes as (other things being equal) have *settled pastors*; and the least to those which subsist on occasional supplies;—while they have ceased to make any appropriation at all where the preacher does not reside among the people.

# CONSTITUTION

## OF THE

### AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

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ARTICLE 1. This Society shall be denominated "THE AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY."

ART. 2. The object of this Society shall be, to assist congregations that are unable to support the Gospel Ministry, and to send the Gospel to the destitute, within the United States; also, to co-operate with evangelical Christians in the support of Home Missions in nominally Christian countries, to such an extent as the funds of the Institution may justify.

ART. 3. The Officers of the Society shall be, a President, Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, an Auditor, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, and fifty Directors, who shall be annually appointed by the Society; and who, together with the Directors for life, shall constitute a Board, seven of whom shall be a quorum, at any meeting regularly convened.

ART. 4. The Officers and Directors shall appoint an Executive Committee of thirteen, (including the Treasurer, the Corresponding Secretary, and the Recording Secretary,) residing in the City of New York and its vicinity; five of whom shall be a quorum, at any meeting regularly convened. This Committee shall have power to appoint its own meetings, form its own rules of business, and fill any vacancies in its own number which may occur during the year, and to convene special meetings of the Board or Society; shall appoint missionaries and instruct them as to the field and manner of their labors; shall have the disposal of the funds; shall create such agency or agencies for appointing Missionaries, and for other purposes, as the interests of the institution may require; and shall make an Annual Report of their proceedings to the Society.

ART. 5. The Treasurer shall give bonds, annually, to such amount as the Executive Committee shall think proper.

ART. 6. Any person may become a member of this Society, by contributing annually to its funds; thirty dollars paid at one time shall constitute a Member for life; and one hundred dollars paid at one time shall constitute a Director for life; and any person, on the payment of a sum which, in addition to any previous contribution to the funds, shall amount to one hundred dollars, shall be a Director for life. An executor, on paying a legacy of two hundred and fifty dollars to the funds of this Society, shall be a Member for life; and the payment of a legacy of one thousand dollars shall constitute him a Director for life.

ART. 7. Any Missionary Society may become auxiliary, by agreeing to pay into the Treasury of this Society the whole of its surplus funds, and sending to the Corresponding Secretary a copy of its Constitution and Annual Reports, mentioning the names of its Missionaries, and the fields of their operations.

ART. 8. Every Auxiliary Society which shall agree to pay the whole of its funds to this Society, shall be entitled to a Missionary or Missionaries, to labor in such field as it may designate; at least to the amount of its contributions; provided such designation be made at the time of payment.

ART. 9. The Officers of all Auxiliary Societies shall be ex officio Directors; and annual contributors to their funds shall be members of the Society.

ART. 10. This Society shall meet annually in the City of New York, on the Wednesday next preceding the second Thursday in May.

ART. 11. No alteration shall be made in this Constitution, without a vote of two-thirds of the members present, at an annual meeting; nor unless the same shall have been proposed at a previous annual meeting, or recommended by the Executive Committee.

## A P P E N D I X .

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### **The General Association and Home Missions.**

At the last General Association, a Committee appointed at a previous meeting made a Report containing the following Resolutions :

*“Resolved,* That it is expedient, with the approbation of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, to recommend that a Committee of Correspondence, to consist of three persons, be constituted in each of the Conferences, or Clerical Associations of the State, whose general duties are implied in the following statements :

“1. This Committee is designed to be an organ of communication between churches needing aid, and the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

“2. The service they are expected to render is, to obtain, by personal inspection, all necessary facts on which a judgment of the extent and rightfulness of the claim of any church for aid is founded, and to present them to the Executive Committee with their own views of the case.

“3. It is also expected that they will interest the churches of their Conference or Association, in these feeble churches, and will seek to encourage and stimulate the churches receiving aid to all possible exertion in their own behalf.

“4. It is also expected that they will seek out those places which are waste, and without religious instruction, and make provision, either through the aid of neighboring churches, or the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, for furnishing them with the means of grace.

“5. And as there may be cases where two feeble parishes are so situated, that they may enjoy between them, the labors of a pastor, and are not in a situation to claim his exclusive services, it is expected the Committee will endeavor, both with the parishes and the Executive Committee, to arrange such a disposition of missionary work as to supply them with the gospel.

“6. If at any time a church, receiving aid, should feel that a larger allowance than any they receive should be granted them, it is expected that the Committee will obtain all necessary information, and advise the Executive

Committee to such an increase of appropriation, as, in their candid judgment, the case demands, submitting to the Executive Committee the unquestioned right and duty of deciding in regard to all disbursement of funds intrusted to their care."

The above Report was adopted by the General Association, and each district Association or Conference has been addressed by the Secretary of this Society, declaring the entire satisfaction of the Executive Committee with the resolves, and urging each ecclesiastical body to appoint the Committee therein recommended. Most, or all of them have done so, and it is believed that thus an important bond of union has been formed between the churches and the Missionary Society, and that thereby greater efficiency will be given to the missionary work in the Commonwealth.

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#### Co-operation in Home Missions.

On the 12th of May, 1826, a voluntary association was formed, composed chiefly of Congregationalists and Presbyterians, for Home Missionary purposes, and was called the American Home Missionary Society. For thirty years the harmony of this co-operation was unbroken, and was productive of the happiest results. The impartial appropriation of funds, and the whole administration of the work by the Executive Committee of New York, inspired the confidence of all the parties concerned.

But the alleged failure, without reason, we believe, of the American Home Missionary Society, to do all it was supposed might be done, occasioned discontent, which showed itself decisively at the meeting of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in 1855, and resulted in the appointment of a "Church Extension Committee," for employing "exploring or itinerating missionaries, and the planting of Presbyterian churches in advance of all others." It was believed by the whole Congregational part of the copartnership that there was no call for such a Committee—that the American Home Missionary Society could occupy the whole ground, and do the whole work, as well as any men could do it—and that such a step was an entering wedge, destructive of harmony in the co-operation, and tending directly to disruption. The two largest auxiliaries of the Home Missionary Society—those of Massachusetts and Connecticut—protested against it. A record to the same effect was made in the fifty-seventh Report of the Executive Committee of this Society.

The Church Extension Committee was, however, continued, under the approbation of succeeding General Assemblies; and by the last, granted enlarged powers, and a call was made for \$30,000 for its funds during the passing year. Without the open name, this has become a decisively disrup-

tive measure. It ignores the fundamental principle of co-operation, viz., that all Home Missionary funds should go into the common treasury, and be thence impartially distributed, as the wants of the churches of each denomination called for them. It sanctions the paying over, from auxiliaries and self-supporting churches, all the funds raised in their bounds, to the Church Extension Committee, while the feeble churches within those bounds are left to the support of the American Home Missionary Society, demanding aid from a treasury it will not replenish. Such a measure would have its parallel, were the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society to employ all its funds in some purely denominational work, and leave its forty feeble churches to the care of the American Home Missionary Society.

Against such an obvious violation of the principles of the copartnership, the Connecticut auxiliary protested at its annual meeting in June last—as did also the General Association of Massachusetts, by whom the following Report of a Committee was unanimously adopted :

“The General Association of Massachusetts cordially approve, as they have ever done, the fundamental principle of the American Home Missionary Society, whereby Christians, of differing views in ecclesiastical polity, unite their efforts for the only purpose of securing the more extensive publication of the gospel of Christ in our own land, independently of sectarian designs and aims, and also of the principles, according to which the Executive Committee have from the beginning aimed to distribute the common funds contributed for the purpose ; and in order to assure them of our encouragement in faithfully discharging their trust according to the principles referred to, and jealously guarding against any perversion of the funds of the Society, in aid of any sectarian or exclusively denominational designs whatsoever,

“*Resolved*, 1. That the action of the Executive Committee of the American Home Missionary Society, on the 25th of April last, relating to the Alton Presbytery, is based upon the only equitable principles upon which co-operation can be sustained, and they have our most earnest sympathy and fullest sanction in their endeavor to conduct the affairs of the Society according to the rules by them laid down.

“*Resolved*, 2. That, in the opinion of the Association, any attempt whatever to employ the American Home Missionary Society, or its funds, for exclusive sectarian or denominational purposes, would be a violation of good faith, an infringement of the spirit of Christian fellowship, and a departure from strict justice.”



## SYSTEMATIC CONTRIBUTIONS.

THE following plan for systematic contributions in Massachusetts to the various objects of benevolence here specified, was recommended by the General Association of the State, at their meeting in Ipswich, June 24, 1840, and has been extensively adopted by the local Associations and Conferences. The necessity for some uniform system has long been felt, and it is hoped that this will meet the approbation of all.

### 1. BOSTON AND VICINITY.

According to the arrangement made by these churches in 1833.

Foreign Missions, *January*.  
Education Society, *February*.  
City Missions, *April*.  
Sabbath Schools, *June*.  
Home Missions, *September*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *October*.  
Tract Society, *November*.

### 2. ESSEX COUNTY AND ANDOVER ASSOCIATION.

Bible Society, *December and January*.  
Foreign Missions, *February and March*.  
Education Society, *April and May*.  
Home Missions, *June and July*.  
Tract Society, *August and September*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *October*.  
Sabbath School Society, *November*.

### 3. MIDDLESEX UNION AND WOBURN ASSOCIATIONS.

Bible Society, *January and February*.  
Foreign Missions, *March and April*.  
Education Society, *May and June*.  
Home Missions, *July and August*.  
Tract Society, *September and October*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *November*.  
Sabbath School Society, *December*.

### 4. NORFOLK COUNTY AND CONFERENCE, AND MENDON ASSOCIATION.

Bible Society, *February and March*.  
Foreign Missions, *April and May*.  
Education Society, *June and July*.  
Home Missions, *August and September*.  
Tract Society, *October and November*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *December*.  
Sabbath School Society, *January*.

### 5. BERKSHIRE COUNTY.

Bible Society, *March and April*.  
Foreign Missions, *May and June*.  
Education Society, *July and August*.  
Home Missions, *September and October*.  
Tract Society, *November and December*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *January*.  
Sabbath School Society, *February*.

### 6. HAMPDEN COUNTY.

Bible Society, *April and May*.  
Foreign Missions, *June and July*.  
Education Society, *August and September*.  
Home Missions, *October and November*.  
Tract Society, *December and January*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *February*.  
Sabbath School Society, *March*.

### 7. HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.

Bible Society, *May and June*.  
Foreign Missions, *July and August*.  
Education Society, *September and October*.  
Home Missions, *November and December*.  
Tract Society, *January and February*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *March*.  
Sabbath School Society, *April*.

### 8. FRANKLIN COUNTY AND WORCESTER NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Bible Society, *June and July*.  
Foreign Missions, *August and September*.  
Education Society, *October and November*.  
Home Missions, *December and January*.  
Tract Society, *February and March*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *April*.  
Sabbath School Society, *May*.

### 9. WORCESTER CENTRAL AND BROOKFIELD ASSOCIATIONS.

Bible Society, *July and August*.  
Foreign Missions, *September and October*.  
Education Society, *November and December*.  
Home Missions, *January and February*.  
Tract Society, *March and April*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *May*.  
Sabbath School Society, *June*.

### 10. MIDDLESEX SOUTH AND HARMONY CONFERENCES.

Bible Society, *August and September*.  
Foreign Missions, *October and November*.  
Education Society, *December and January*.  
Home Missions, *February and March*.  
Tract Society, *April and May*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *June*.  
Sabbath School Society, *July*.

### 11. TAUNTON AND VICINITY AND OLD COLONY CONFERENCES.

Bible Society, *September and October*.  
Foreign Missions, *November and December*.  
Education Society, *January and February*.  
Home Missions, *March and April*.  
Tract Society, *May and June*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *July*.  
Sabbath School Society, *August*.

### 12. PILGRIM AND BARNSTABLE CONFERENCES.

Bible Society, *October and November*.  
Foreign Missions, *December and January*.  
Education Society, *February and March*.  
Home Missions, *April and May*.  
Tract Society, *June and July*.  
Seamen's Friend Society, *August*.  
Sabbath School Society, *September*.

## APPLICATIONS FOR AID.

It is expected that any feeble congregation desiring aid in supporting the gospel, will regard the following particulars in their application, not only in the first instance, but as often as the application is renewed.

1. The number of members in the church.
2. The number of families or polls in the society.
3. The whole population of the town or parish.
4. The number usually attending public worship, or the number that may be expected to attend.
5. The amount of property belonging to members of the society, as rated on the State bill, or town valuation.
6. The amount supposed necessary for a minister's support.
7. The mode of collection—whether by tax or voluntary subscription.
8. The utmost amount that can be secured for the object, within the limits of the society.
9. The least amount that must be derived from other sources.
10. The probable length of time for which charitable aid will be needed.

A written statement on these topics, signed by a committee of the church or society, is required, and the correctness of the statement is to be vouched by two or three neighboring ministers, who are expected at the same time to certify that in their opinion the request for assistance ought to be granted.

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### *To Committees of Churches applying for Aid and Missionaries.*

Every application, not the first only, but each yearly one, must follow the foregoing directions and not the directions found in the Home Missionary. Every application is to repeat *every particular* required, and not make any such reference as, "the same as last year," &c. The failure to state all required particulars, occasions great inconvenience and often expense and delay.

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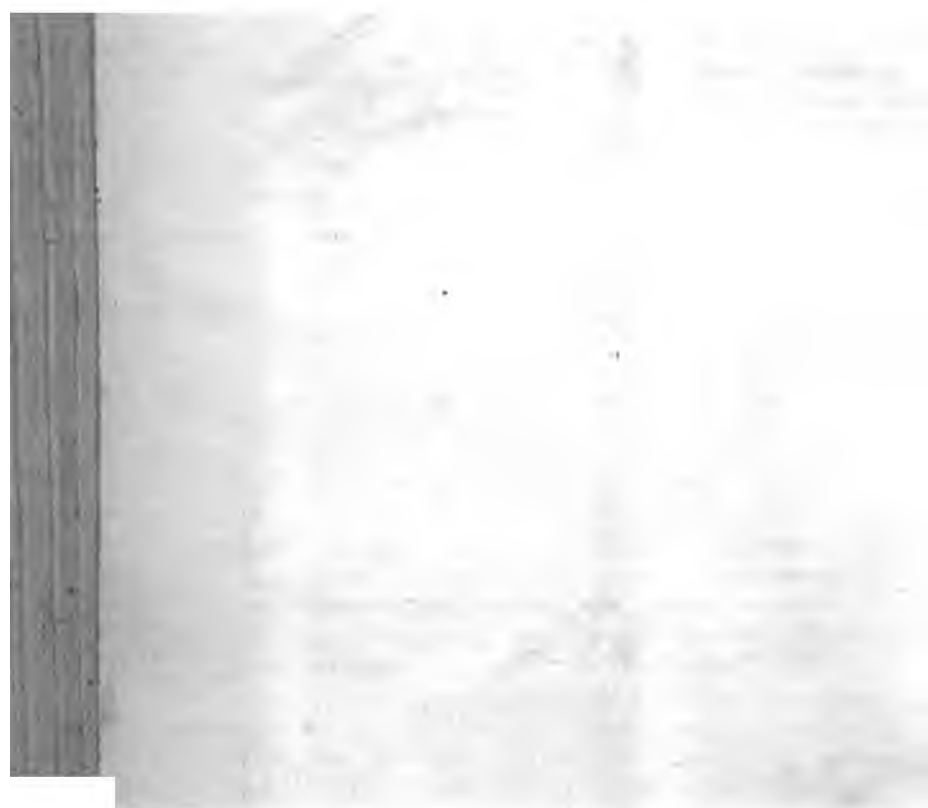
## FORM OF A BEQUEST TO THE MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

I GIVE unto the Treasurer of the "Massachusetts Home Missionary Society," the sum of                      dollars, for the purposes of said Society, and for which the receipt of such Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge.

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